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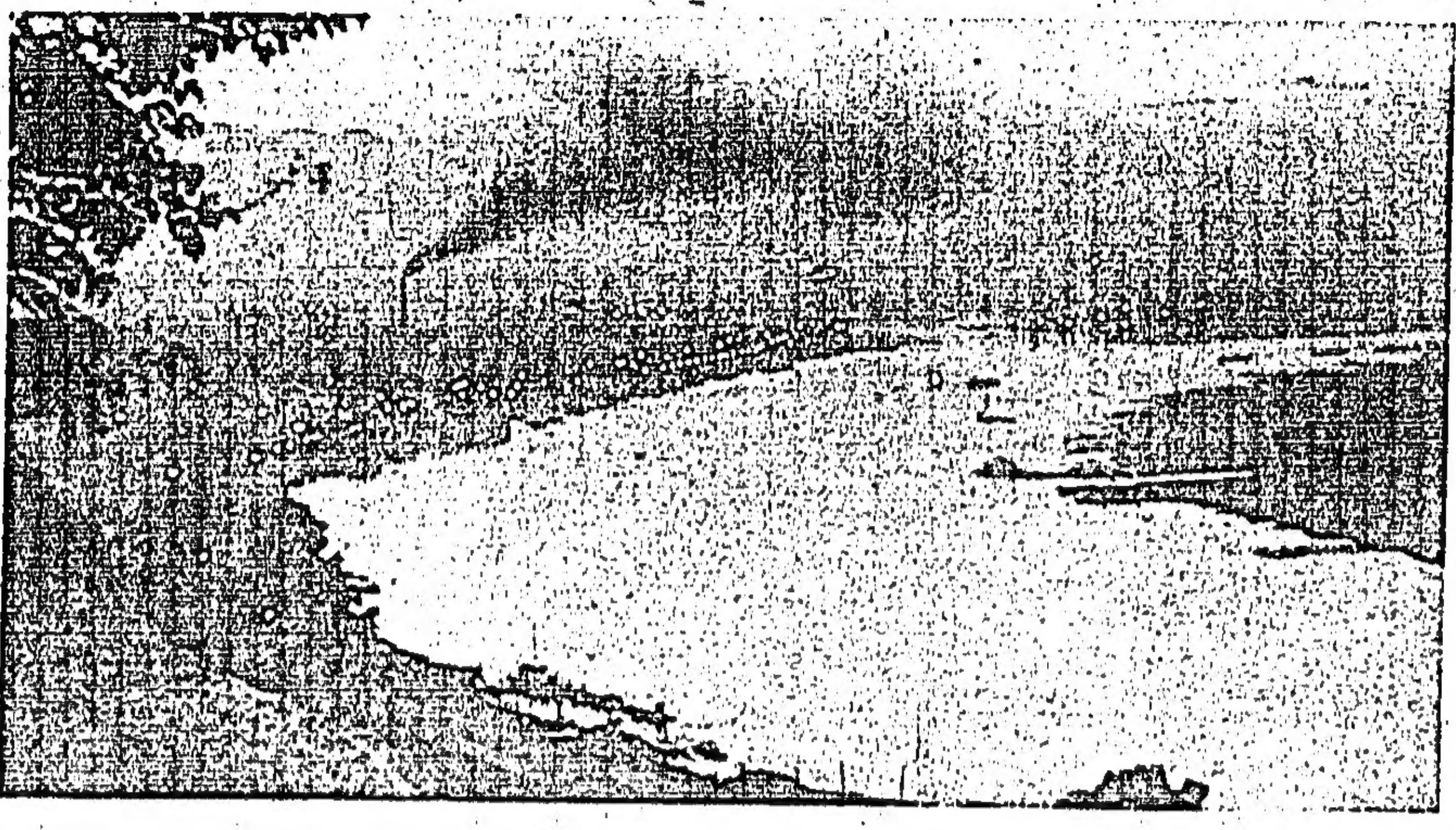
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**The Ukraine's Capital**

Here is a twilight picture of Kiev, capital of the Ukraine, which is likely to become a key position in the joint Nazi-Rumanian drive against the Russian territory. Kiev has already suffered air raids.



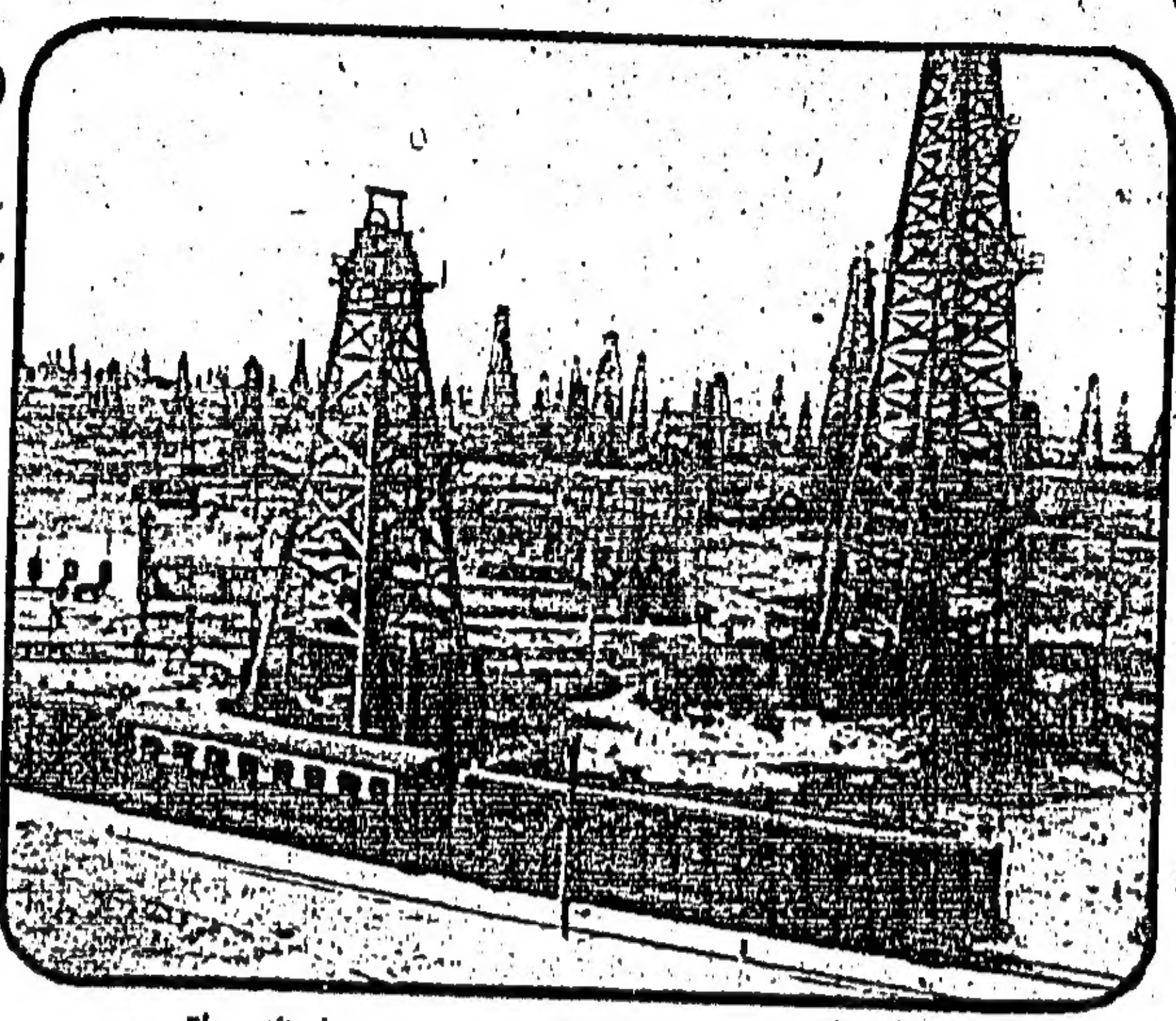
# TREMENDOUS ARMED CLASHES ANTICIPATED BY BERLIN

One Of The Nazis' Latest Objectives

## Invaders Due To Meet Main Soviet Forces Shortly

Special to the "Telegraph"

MAIN REPORTS ON THE NAZI-SOVIET CONFLICT CONTINUE TO EMANATE FROM BERLIN AND OTHER GERMAN SOURCES. "UNITED PRESS" QUOTES THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY FROM BERLIN TO THE EFFECT THAT THE NAZIS HAVE BROKEN THROUGH THE RED TROOPS' FORTIFIED LINES AT MANY PLACES AND THAT TREMENDOUS CLASHES WITH THE MAIN SOVIET FORCES ON THE WESTERN RUSSIAN FRONTIERS WERE EXPECTED MOMENTARILY.



Electrified train passing through the Baku oilfields.

## NAZI TROOP ACTIVITY IN SOUTH & WEST NORWAY

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—A sudden increase in German activity on the south and west coasts of Norway is indicated in reports reaching the Norwegian telegraph agency. German troops are reported to be constantly moving westwards from Oslo.

A large part of the coastal region has been declared a fully prohibited area and permits for entrance to and exit from it are issued only very exceptionally. The area extends inland for about 60 miles from the north side of Nordfjord and then southwards, passing the head of Sognefjord and Hardanger Fjord and as far south as Kragero on the south coast. Large-scale evacuations of Norwegian citizens are being undertaken with drastic suddenness. In the Osterlandet district, near Trondheim, large cultivated areas have been taken over by the Germans. Farmers are being driven out at a moment's notice. At one place, the Germans even set fire to some barns in order to clear the ground.

### King Remembers Malta's Courage

MALTA, June 23 (Reuter).—The King has paid a tribute to Malta's "unflinching gallantry and resolution." Replying in a telegram to the Governor to Malta's birthday greetings, the Secretary of State for the Colonies says, "His Majesty thanks you for your message and desires me to say that his thoughts are constantly with his loyal subjects in Malta in the severe ordeal which they are facing with such unflinching gallantry and resolution."

## Spain Pleased With Anti-Red Campaign

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Senor Ximenez de Sandoval, Madrid's Foreign Office spokesman, this afternoon made the first official Spanish comment on the Russo-German war.

He told a Press conference, "I can express to you the satisfaction with which the Spanish Government—the final interpreter of the feelings of the people—have received the news of war against Soviet Russia, the common enemy of all, and against whom the war of liberation of Spain was one of the most determined noble and heroic struggles."

Asked about rumours concerning Spanish volunteers to fight against the U.S.S.R., the spokesman said "I am not authorised to reply, but I can say that without doubt it is the desire of many thousands of Spaniards." The German Ambassador in Madrid, von Stohrer, yesterday had a long conference with General Franco after informing Senor Suter about Germany's action against Russia. To-day Sr Suter received the Italian Ambassador and the Japanese Minister. He will see the Turkish Minister to-morrow.

## DAMASCUS BECOMES FREE CITY

New Order Starts

DAMASCUS, June 23 (Reuter).—The first to enter Damascus were Allied representatives. They were greeted enthusiastically. It was some time afterwards that troops were permitted to enter. The first to go into the city were the Free French, followed closely by a famous British cavalry regiment in armoured cars and some Australians. While the French flag was nowhere to be seen on public buildings of the city, the tricolour borne as Free France's emblem was heartily cheered. The Syrian Government met shortly before the surrender of the city and assumed full powers over internal affairs which hitherto had been exercised by the French.

### Amnesty Granted

They also agreed to give amnesty to all political prisoners. Later the Syrian Prime Minister, Khaldat Bey Alem, and General Legentilhomme of the Free French met to discuss the proposed treaty whereby Syria would become an autonomous republic. The purpose of the Vichy French in holding out long after it was evident that the city was bound to fall was to fight a rearguard action in order to cover the retreat in the northwest.

### Vichy Men Transfer

It was believed that the forces would be able to enter Damascus early in the morning, but the unexpected presence of many Vichy tanks and 75's and also troops, which had come up from the region of Kuneitra, made this impossible. However, in a little while resistance showed signs of crumbling and during the morning, many Vichy soldiers gave themselves up as prisoners.

### War May Solve Russo-Polish Antagonism

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The Polish Premier, General Sikorski, told the Polish National Council to-day that "in international politics, the Polish-Soviet problem will disappear."

It was also claimed that the Germans and Rumanians are advancing towards the former Soviet-Rumanian frontier and that they have successfully invaded Bessarabia.

Luftwaffe formations were reported to have bombed naval ports and bases of the Red navy, despite heavy defence fire.

One objective, states the report, was a particularly strong attack against a Russian submarine base in the Black Sea.

All the Nazi planes dropped their bombs despite heavy anti-aircraft fire. Damage was observed to the wharves and dock installations as well as a large fire caused at an oil depot.

## Muscovites Cheered By Resistance

MOSCOW, June 23 (Reuter).—Flushed by the first war communique issued by the Soviet High Command declaring that the maximum penetration of the enemy is only nine miles, Muscovites have gone to work to-day in high spirits.

The effect of last night's mobilisation order was seen to-day when approaches to the main railway stations were crowded with parents and wives seeing off sons and husbands. Many of these parents are former peasants who found work in rapidly-expanding Moscow and whose sons are now tank-drivers, machine-gunners and pilots.

Many of these scenes were tearful as Russians are emotional; but there is no doubt of the people's conviction of the strength of the Red Army and the Red Air Force.

### Portuguese Vessel Torpedoed

LISBON, June 23 (Reuter).—The torpedoing of the Portuguese merchant ship Ganda, reported yesterday, when 20 survivors out of a total of 10 passengers and 60 crew were landed in Lisbon, has excited public opinion here.

The Ganda, it is stated, was carrying goods only between Portugal and her West African colonies as she always does.

"There could be no doubt about her Portuguese markings," says one newspaper. "The Government will certainly not fail to use every effort to clear up what took place and we confidently expect the nation to protest indignantly against this wicked attack."

All German planes returned to their base, it is claimed, while only a few were lightly damaged by the A.A. fire.

**Fantastic Claims**  
Fantastic German propaganda reports are being issued regarding the alleged Soviet air losses. One Berlin report, quoted by "United Press," asserts that on the information available, about 1,200 Soviet planes had been shot down or destroyed on the ground during the first 24 hours of fighting.

Apart from actual fighting other aspects of the new phase in the TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## New Raid On Alexandria

ALEXANDRIA, June 23 (Reuter).—Twenty persons were killed and 60 injured in an air raid on Alexandria early this morning, says a Ministry of the Interior communique. Some damage was done.

## Destroyer Sunk By R.A.F. At Beirut

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—An enemy destroyer is believed to have been sunk in the harbour of Beirut yesterday, states an R.A.F. Middle East communique.

The communique says that R.A.F. bombers attacked enemy shipping in the harbour of Beirut. One destroyer received a direct hit and is believed to have sunk, and a merchant ship along the mole was set on fire.

During the previous night, the harbour was also raided by Fleet Air Arm aircraft and bombs were seen to fall across the wharves.

Australian planes machine-gunned and destroyed a number of Vichy transport vehicles on the Damascus-Beirut road.

### Convoy Attacked

R.A.F. bombers early yesterday morning attacked a convoy of enemy merchant ships, escorted by destroyers along the Tripolitanian coast. One ship of 6,000 tons was badly damaged and other bombs were seen falling close to other ships in the convoy, probably damaging them.

### Down Over Malta

One Italian plane was shot down over Malta yesterday by British fighters.

One more Messerschmitt is now known to have been destroyed by British fighters on June 17 besides the six already claimed.

One British aircraft is missing from all the above operations but the crew are safe.

## ALLIES AT PALMYRA

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—British troops have reached Palmyra in Syria, according to a G.H.Q. communique issued here to-day.

They are meeting resistance there from a Vichy column. Allied forces are in contact with Vichy troops west of Damascus. In the town itself, the situation is quiet.

On other fronts, fighting is continuing.

### Thrust To Homs

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—The British mechanised column which reached Palmyra after meeting air and ground opposition is threatening the important and modern air base there.

This column would appear to be thrusting towards Homs, which would effectively cut off the Vichy forces in south Syria from the northern forces.

## BOMBER FUND DONATION

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## LATEST

## Syrian Situation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 23 (UP).—Authoritative quarters report that the British forces have completed the capture of Mezza and have occupied the Bmeriq and Kham forts in the Merj Ayoun area of Syria.

### Battle For Pipelines

VICHY, June 23 (UP).—An official despatch from Beirut states that a battle in the middle of the desert at Palmyra began at noon to-day with the simultaneous arrival of two British motorised columns across the desert from Abu Khaman and Teloum-Karani, respectively.

See Back Page For Further Late News

## Luftwaffe Receives Another Thrashing

Special to the "Telegraph"

FOLKESTONE, June 23 (UP).—The R.A.F. again carried out another big raid on the northwest France area. Exceedingly strong formations of bombers and fighters crossed the Channel from one part of the southwest coast early this afternoon, and shortly afterwards there were explosions from the direction of the area between Calais and Boulogne, seemingly some distance inland.

The raiders penetrated a heavy barrage which was heard on the English side of the Channel.

The main squadrons returned, later, flying in perfect formation almost as a single unit, keeping the same course as on the outgoing trip. No German fighters were seen attacking the returning planes although earlier, cannon fire was heard over the Channel.

Throughout the operations, strong formations of British fighters patrolled the Straits of Dover.

### Seven Nazis Destroyed

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—R.A.F. fighter squadrons carried out another offensive operation over Northern France this afternoon, accompanied by Blenheim bombers.

### Heavy Explosions

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The boom of heavy explosions rumbled across the English Channel hour after hour during the afternoon and early evening as the R.A.F. struck again in Northern France.

To-day's operations have been on a very extensive scale with attacks on objectives on the French coast and inland.

### 18 Down During Day

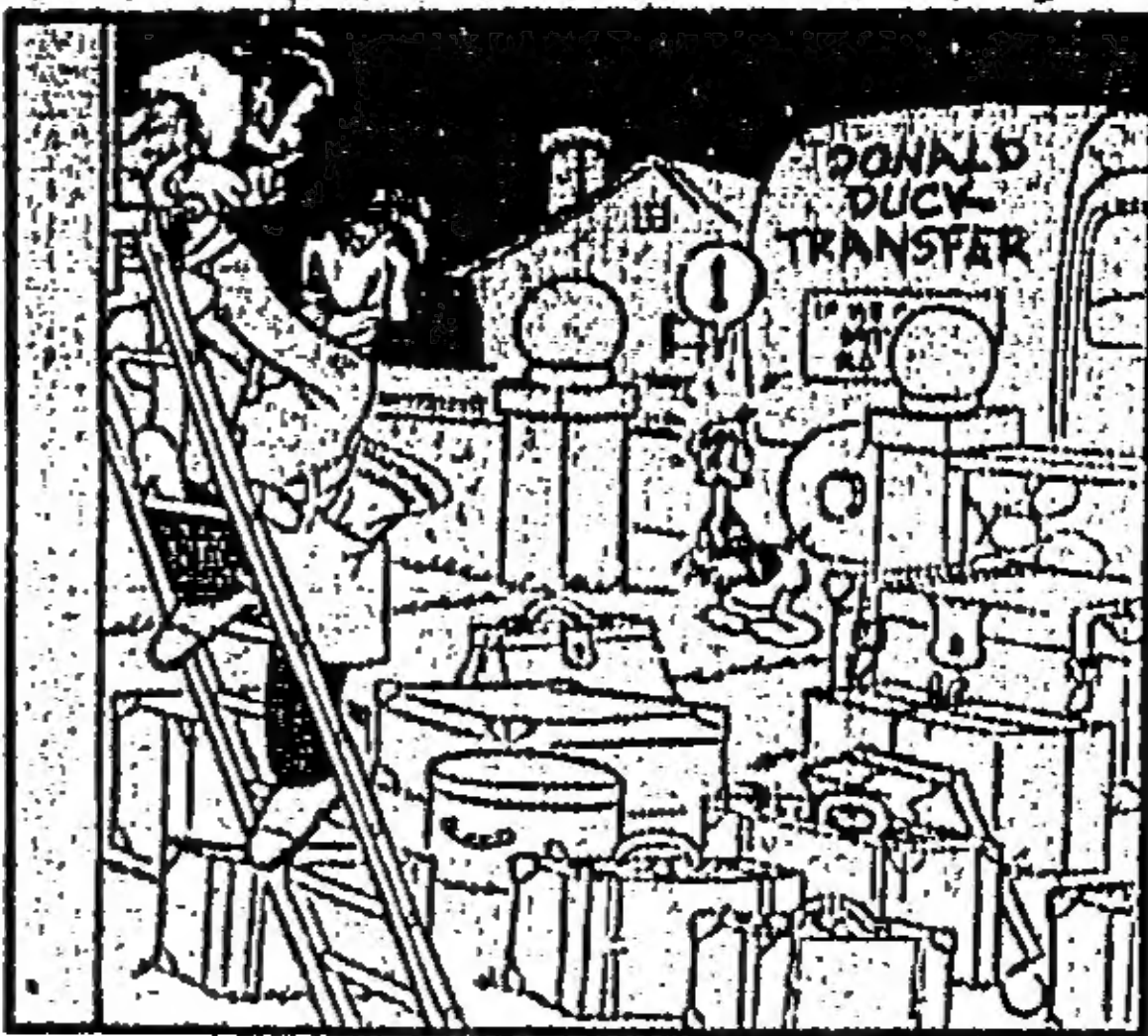
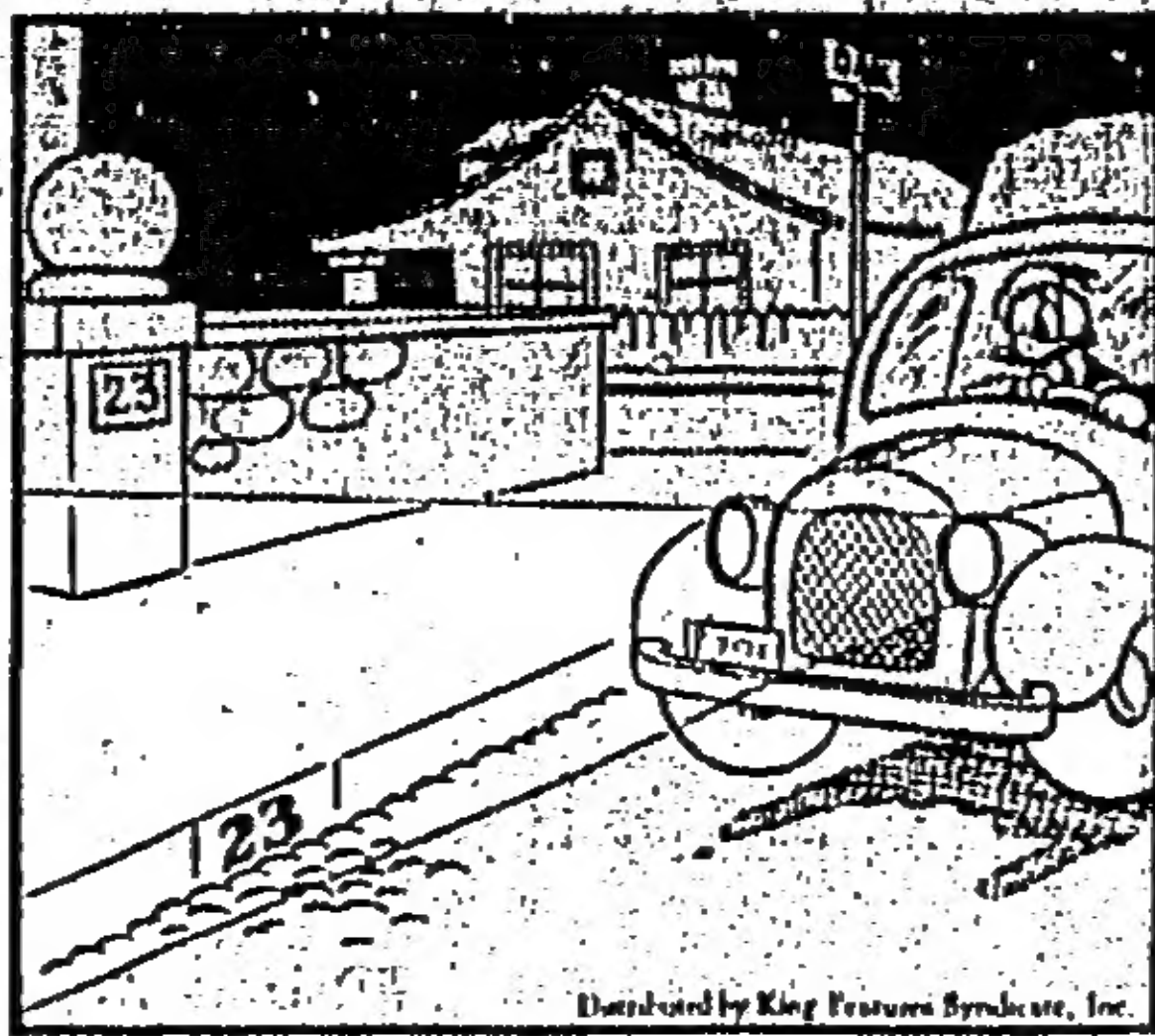
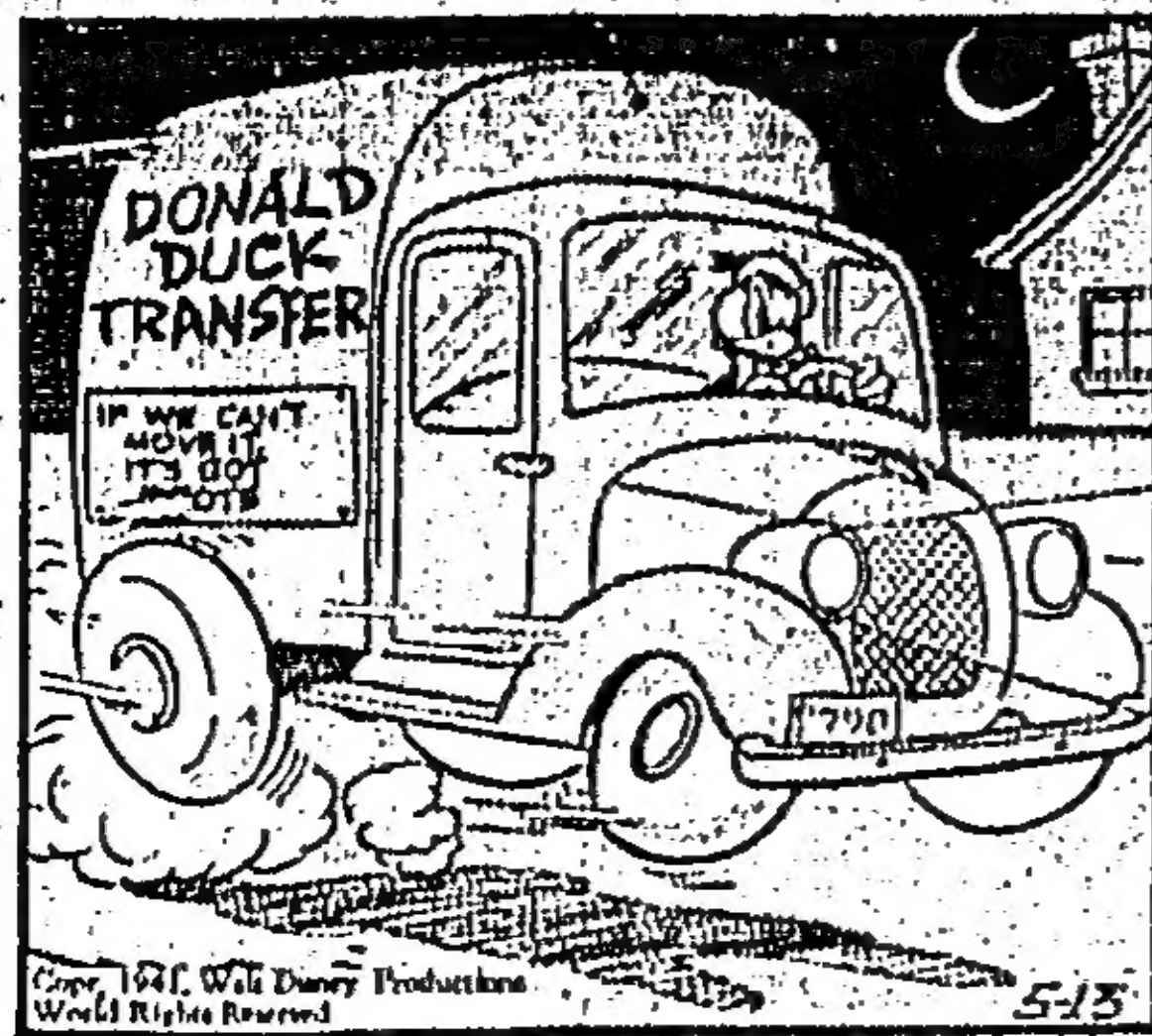
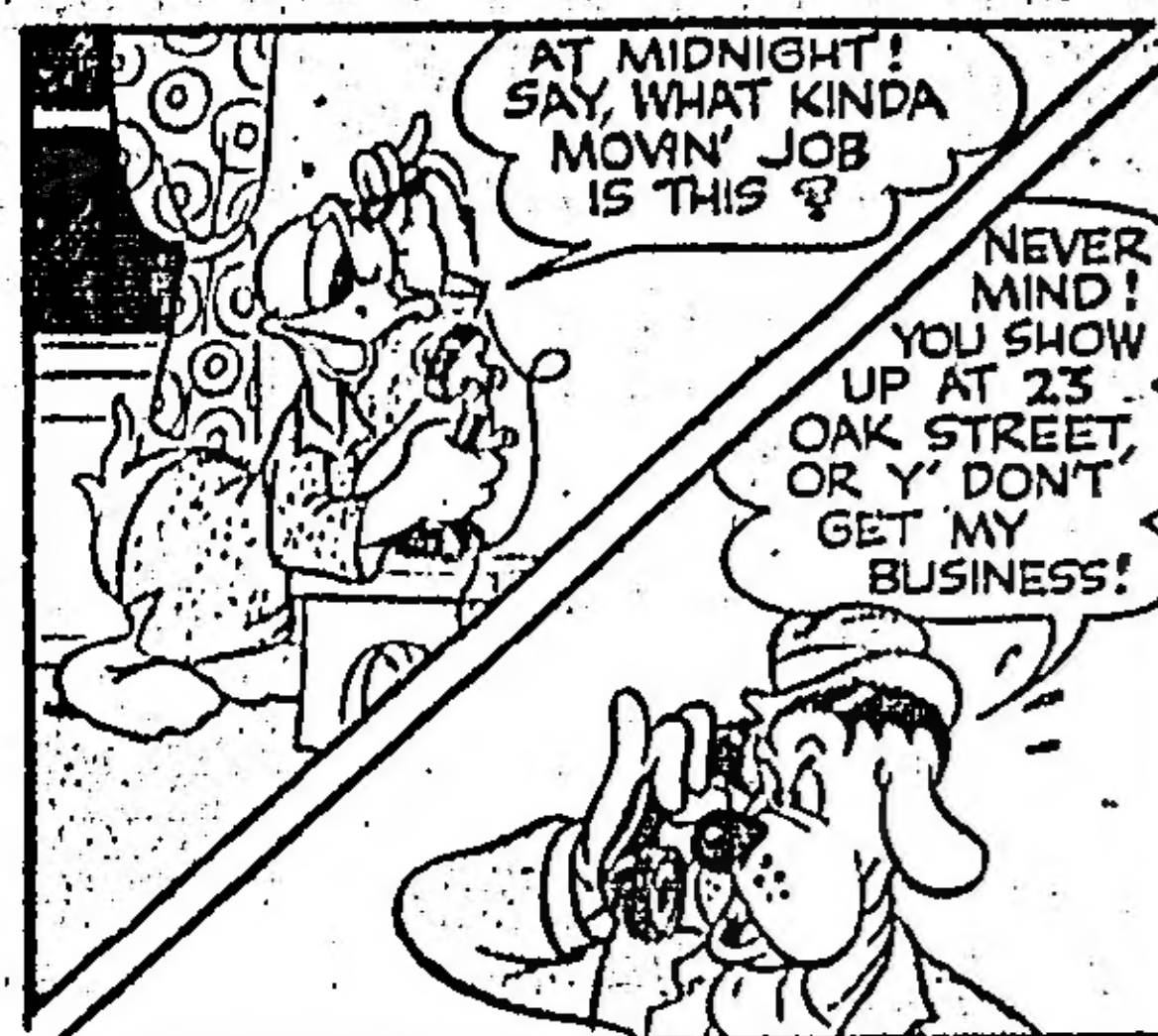
LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—R.A.F. fighters have destroyed eleven more German aircraft in their second sweep over Northern France on Monday afternoon, making the total 18 for the day.







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## CONTRACT BRIDGE

How to Play  
How to Win

By JOSEPHINE CUMMINGS

Right Suit but Wrong Card

AVERAGE players have a warm affection for their honour cards—so warm indeed that they refuse to part with them except as trick winners. When driven to it, they will lead away from these cards, but the thought of actually laying them down, to be smothered by higher adverse honours, seems to be repugnant to them. Note to-day's deal:

Match-point duplicate.  
East dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ J 8 5  
♥ K 8 2  
♦ 8  
♣ K Q J 6 3 2

♠ K Q  
♥ A J 10  
♦ K Q J 7  
♣ 5

♠ A 10 9 8 3 2  
♥ 7 6 4  
♦ A 9 4  
♣ 8

The bidding:  
East 1♠ South 2♠ West 2♠ North  
2NT 3♠ Pass Pass  
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass

East's double was aggressive, but not bad at match-point duplicate. East felt that a one-trick set might be better than any score he himself could make. He was right in this judgment; his error lay in counting on a perfect defence.

West opened his fourth best diamond and declarer captured East's jack. The singleton club was now led toward dummy and West, surmising that it was a singleton, correctly put up his ace. He nullified this excellent decision, however, by his next play. He shifted to a low heart. Dummy ducked and East won with the ten, but now no de-

fence could avail. The best East could do was cash the heart ace (or lose it) after which declarer found it easy to take all the tricks except one trump trick. The defenders had taken only one spade, two hearts, and one club.

West had acted shrewdly in putting up the club ace and quickly shifting to hearts, but his selection of the precise heart to lead was shortsighted. He knew that he could never expect to get on the lead again. He also knew that no other club trick nor any trick in diamonds could be counted on. Defeating the contract, then, would depend on taking either two hearts and two spades or a remote chance—of more likely, three hearts and one spade. The only circumstance that would return three defensive heart tricks was to find East with A-J-10 and declarer with three low hearts. Even that position, however, would require intelligent defence, namely, the lead of the heart queen, not a low heart as West. Obviously the crux was for West to retain the lead if dummy failed to cover—something he could not do by the lead of a low heart.

To-morrow's Hand  
West dealer.  
Match-point duplicate.  
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ K Q 7  
♥ J 8 4  
♦ A 9 2  
♣ A 7 5 3

♠ A J 8 2  
♥ 10 9  
♦ K 7 5  
♣ K Q 6 4

♠ 10 3  
♥ 8 2  
♦ 10 8 4 3  
♣ J 10 8 8 2

How should South play his contract of two clubs doubled?

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Cats easily  
sus casuist  
2—Work of fiction  
3—Incapable of  
reproduction  
4—Term  
5—After-dinner nap  
6—Command  
7—Put into prison  
8—That thing  
9—Tidy (scoldish)  
10—Warning sound  
11—Yawn  
12—Nose god of war  
13—Talk about vainly  
14—Chastise liquid  
15—Turn  
16—Liquid dispersed in  
fine particles  
17—Hear  
18—Fourth month  
19—Ancient Egyptian  
deity  
20—Porous metal  
21—Expanded  
22—Person  
23—Metal-bearing vein  
24—Gleanish title of  
respect  
25—Deceased  
26—Within  
27—African antelope  
28—Twenty-fourth part  
29—One who lowers  
30—Crest of abutment  
31—Concerning

DOWN

32—Space from floor to  
floor of building  
33—Metric measure of  
area (rare)  
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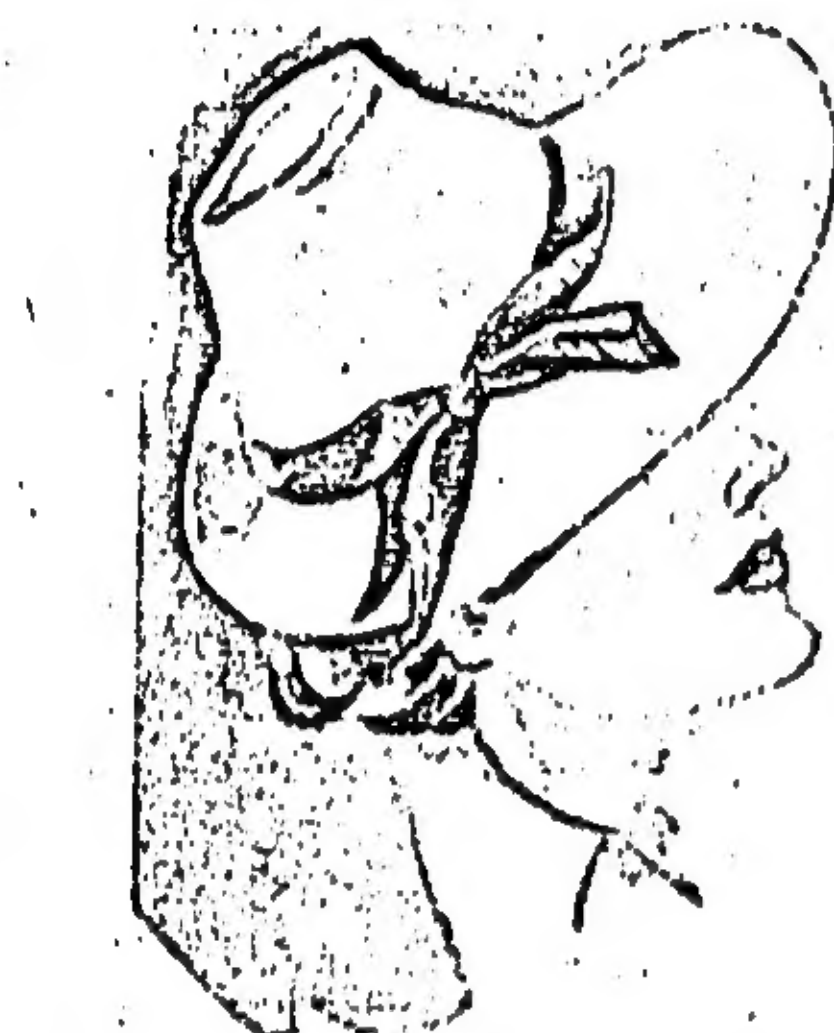
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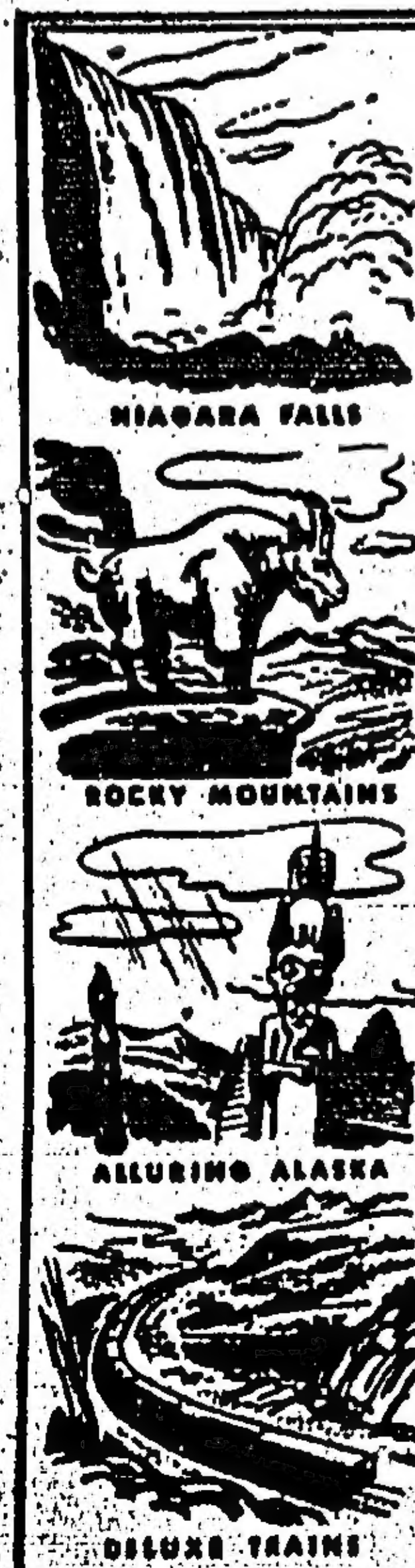
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### RUSSIA HAS HER OPPORTUNITY

IF there is one thing to be said  
of Nazism it is that in its un-  
folding it has submerged in  
other nations class warfare and,  
between nations, ideological war-  
fare, in order to meet a foe  
whose creed is hideous to all.  
It is an immense pity that the  
process was not carried further  
much earlier in the war. The  
forced entry of Russia has im-  
mediately made us think of the  
Communists as deserving of our  
sympathy and help not wholly,  
it is true, because of altruistic  
motives, but certainly as a means  
of weakening the common  
enemy.

Hitler has won so many gam-  
bles that the last words one  
wants to hear from British lips  
are confident assertions that this  
time he has gone too far. It  
may be that the German leader  
desires to visit so sudden and  
sickening a destruction on the  
masses of Russian people that  
they will be compelled to sue for  
peace at the cost of their rich  
southern provinces. With oil  
and what fields in his possession  
Hitler might offer to suspend  
operations, keeping an eye mean-  
while on preventing further  
Soviet rearmament, to press  
the offensive against his main  
antagonist, Britain.

The most important question  
of to-day seems to be: Have  
the Russians got the courage  
and spirit to go on fighting in  
that eventuality? Will they be  
deceived by another armistice  
and give much in order to retain  
the shadow of independence as  
Rumania did? Until they give  
evidence of preparing to fight to  
the bitter end the democratic  
world must suspend judgment  
on Russia's forced entry into  
the anti-Hitler camp while giv-  
ing them, as Mr Churchill has  
promised, such assistance as we  
can. The new war changes the  
aspect of things in the Far East  
but in these difficult days it is  
not fair to impute designs or  
plans to the countries affected  
and stir up issues which may  
not arise. It is to be hoped that  
Japan will abide by her treaty  
of neutrality with Russia and  
not emulate Italy's famous stab  
in the back.

The next move in the Far  
East is Japan's and it is the

# WHY GERMANY AND RUSSIA ARE AT WAR

By ALEC GREAVES

THE inevitable has hap-  
pened, and those two  
ill-suited bedfellows, Hitler and  
Stalin, have arisen in the middle  
of the night and made for each  
other's throats. Forgotten are  
the sweet assurances of friend-  
ship of 1939; and the Nazis ap-  
pear again in their true colours.  
The small countries of Europe  
know, at grievous cost, that  
treaties mean nothing to Hitler;  
he employs them as an instru-  
ment to lull his neighbours into  
a false sense of security, to sap  
vitality, and when it suits his  
purpose he tears them up. Now  
it is Russia's turn.

Ideologically opposed to each  
other, the political orders of  
Nazi Germany and Soviet Rus-  
sia could not for long sustain a  
friendship of convenience. Sta-  
lin seemed primarily to be keen  
on keeping his country out of  
the European quarrel, neither  
giving in too much to one side  
nor entirely alienating the  
other, hoping, with profound  
cunning, that while others ex-  
hausted themselves Russia  
would emerge from the ruins of  
battle the most potent force in  
both European and Asiatic af-  
fairs.

### Aid To Nazis

To this end, he has since 1939  
bowed to innumerable German  
demands. He lent the Germans  
rolling stock; he supplied them  
with wheat, fish and other com-  
modities; oil was also supplied  
in limited quantities. The aid  
given was perhaps not as im-  
mense as that which the United  
States is rendering to Britain,  
but it was of sufficient propor-  
tions to lead observers to ask  
whether or no Russia had a  
secret alliance with Germany.

What has caused this sudden  
breakdown? Why does Stalin  
choose this moment to cease  
appeasing the Nazi appetite?  
And what are Germany's de-  
mands that Stalin's refusal to  
comply should induce Hitler to  
attack his erstwhile "friend?"

Millions of words have poured  
from the presses of the world  
on this vital question, but re-  
ports contradict one another. It  
is possible to gather reliable in-  
formation neither in Germany  
nor Russia, for a cast-iron  
system of censorship prevents  
true, objective news from

reaching the outside world, and  
honest newspapermen bent on  
their proper duty are regarded  
as little better than spies. Nor  
do official statements help.  
Hence, it is only from apprecia-  
tion of one development after  
another, and their places in a  
general plan, that it is at all  
possible to account for an event.

### Russia Encircled

Thus, looking at the Russo-  
German situation, one fact  
stands out clearly. Russia is  
completely encircled. The Nazis  
command the Dardanelles, the  
Soviet outlet from the Black  
Sea. They command the Skag-  
errak and the Kattegat, Russia's  
outlet from the Baltic. On  
the Pacific side, Russia can  
emerge from Vladivostok only  
by Japan's leave. On the north  
she is ice-bound and, on the  
south, she is land-locked.

Little is known regarding the  
recently-concluded pact between  
the Nazis and the Turks, and its  
true significance cannot be de-  
termined at this stage, but, con-  
sidering that Turkey had previ-  
ously collaborated with the  
Soviet in Middle East policies  
the announcement that the pact  
was aimed at the Soviet, and  
the fact that the Russians were  
not informed of the negotiation,  
must have come as a tragic blow  
to Stalin.

Stalin sees a Nazi-dominated  
Europe in which his country will  
suffer declining influence owing  
to her isolation, and he knows  
also that within Russia's borders  
are vast stores of material  
wealth which the Nazis  
naturally covet. In fact, in such  
newly-annexed Soviet regions  
as Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania  
and Bessarabia, some measure  
of discontent has been fostered  
by Nazi agents, while the Ger-  
mans have also been at work  
among non-Russian peoples in  
the Caucasus. That is the thin  
end of the Nazi wedge.

### Quest For Oil

Another fact is also clear.  
Hitler needs oil, and this im-  
portant product, without which  
his vast machine of war will  
come to a full stop, is to be  
found in Russia's Caucasian  
fields, Iran and Iraq.

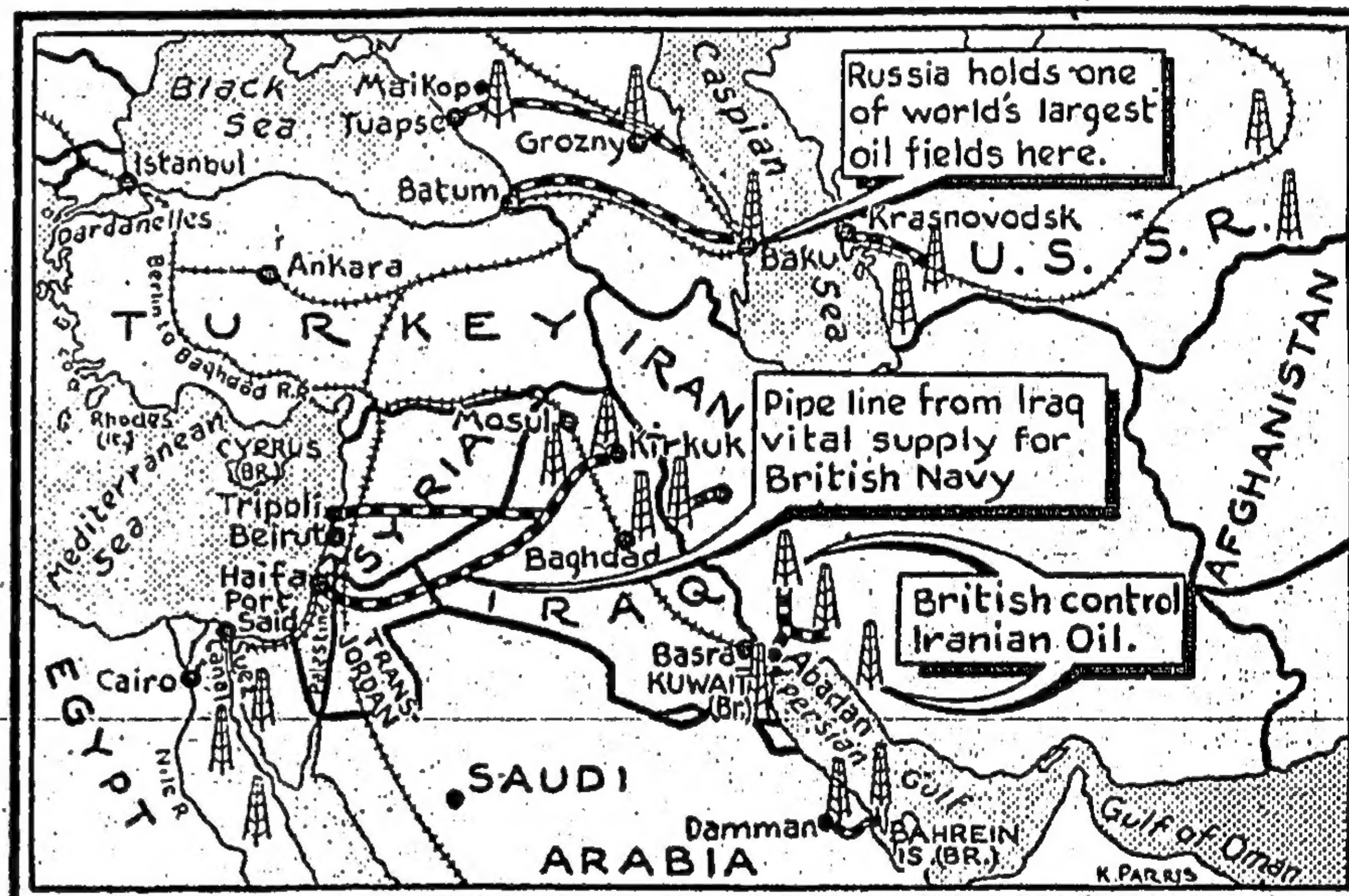
In order to gain possession of  
the oil, Hitler had to decide on  
one of several methods open to  
him. He could blackmail Stalin  
into providing him with Russian  
oil without sending a single  
soldier into the field. If that  
failed, he had to choose one of  
three ways—to crash through  
the combined armed might of  
Russia and Turkey, or fight one  
of these two countries alone.

As events have proved, Stalin  
for the first time since 1939  
stiffened towards German de-  
mands. Soviet officials have  
not been unaware that indus-  
trialisation, and mechanisation  
of the Red Army, make Russia  
dependent upon oil. They have  
sought by every conceivable  
means to develop their oil re-  
sources, and more recently, side  
by side with the new military  
programme, a scheme for con-  
serving as much oil as possible  
for potential military use was  
adopted. It was impossible for  
Stalin to accede to Hitler's de-  
mand, considering the situation  
all round.

Of the remaining alternatives  
for Hitler, bullying of Russia  
was immeasurably the most  
appealing. Hitler possibly did  
not dream that Stalin was pre-  
pared to resist a demand for  
transit facilities for his army  
to Iran once the Turks were  
neutralised. Also, by refraining  
from any act of hostility  
towards Turkey, Hitler hopes  
that Moslem feeling will not be  
aroused against him.

Stalin has seen the writing on  
the wall and has decided to act.  
To have submitted tractably to  
the Nazis would have been to  
acknowledge Hitler as his  
country's master. For he would  
be losing the oil which propels  
the Red Army and air force; he  
would be losing the vast wheat  
production of the Ukraine which  
feeds the millions of Russians;  
and he would be losing also his  
sole remaining chance of secur-  
ing a warm-water outlet to the  
sea, a route through Iran to the  
Indian Ocean.

The rich oil areas which Hitler covets.



OF all the public men  
who are shouldering  
the present responsi-  
bilities of the nation,  
my sympathy goes out  
first to Mr Ernest Bevin.

Poor Mr Bevin—the first  
man in British history to be  
faced with the task of con-  
scripting millions of women.

Not only has he to deal  
with the practical aspects  
of the problem, such as  
enrolment, classification, and  
welfare.

He must go deeper. He  
must go right back to fun-  
damental principles, and  
try to decide between the  
claims of family and coun-  
try.

### FINGERPOSTS

No good to argue that,  
since a nation is nothing but  
a huge unwieldy family, the  
two things are one and the  
same. Like many another

great opportunity of this war  
for her to make that move one  
which will take her from the  
shadow of suspicion in which  
she has so long lingered. An  
extension of war in the Far East  
is not one of the happiest con-  
tingencies that the democracies  
desire to face. Just now—but  
they would not shrink from  
meeting it.

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citizens of to-morrow; we must  
acknowledge their right to be  
born.

### LOYALTIES

Now take the young girl who  
is to-day contemplating mar-  
riage. She is faced with the same  
conflicting loyalties.

She wants to respond to Mr  
Bevin's call—yet at the same  
time she feels that she could be  
of equal value to her country in  
the role of wife and mother.

Since criticism is of little use  
unless it attempts to be con-  
structive, I suggest that she  
should not be asked to tackle  
such a problem.

Instead, perhaps, Mr Bevin  
should begin at the other end of  
the ladder by first conscripting  
women of thirty-eight to forty.  
As workers, such women  
would prove far superior to  
their juniors in age.

### NATURE'S WAY

It is, I think, a statistical fact  
that more children are born  
during wartime than in peace.  
In this way Nature seeks to  
redress the balance. But up to  
now her arrangements have not  
been actively interfered with.

That is to say, however wide-  
spread the field of war, women  
have been left comparatively  
free to fulfil their basic purpose  
of propagation. Will their gra-  
dual absorption into the ranks  
lead to a fall, instead of a com-  
pensatory rise, in the birth rate?

Meanwhile, there stands our  
young wife at the junction of  
the roads. Should she make  
the children of to-day are the  
citizens of to-morrow? And if  
bombers, or produce babies?

How should she decide?



# Pacific Shipping Situation Affected By Ship Withdrawal

NEW YORK, May 12.—A serious shipping situation has been caused in the Far Eastern trade by the increased sinking of ships and the withdrawal of European vessels from the Pacific according to a report published in the Far Eastern Survey by the American Council, Institute of Pacific Relations. American, Japanese, Scandinavian and Dutch merchant ships are finding it impossible to replace the losses.

It is estimated that over 60 per cent. of British overseas shipping operations to and from China had been withdrawn by the end of last year. No British ships are reported to be running between America and the Orient, and many vessels have been removed from the American-Australian run.

Although American shipping in the Pacific area has increased substantially, the gap left by the British has not yet been filled. The net tonnage of vessels clearing American ports for the Far East increased 61 per cent. from August, 1939 to January, 1941, reports the Survey. American tonnage for Australia and New Zealand during the same time increased 130 per cent. British-American tonnage for the United States and the Antipodes the Survey points out.

**Additions Planned**  
Despite the establishment of a Division of Emergency Shipping and an ambitious building programme, additions to American tonnage are still insufficient. In April priorities were put on cargo moving from the Netherlands Indies to the United States, when 60 per cent. of the available shipping space was reserved for tin and rubber. Priorities on bauxite and manganese ore were also instituted.

A spectacular proposal that may cause a bottleneck in the trans-continental railroad system if adopted, reports the Survey, is the routing of cargo from the Orient to the Pacific Coast overland rather than through the Panama Canal. This is pointed out, would parallel the Japanese shift of raw silk to trans-continental rail lines. This change and the possible requisitioning of the inter-coastal fleet for overseas service might overburden the railroads, despite the assurances of Ralph Budd, Defence Advisory Commission transportation chief, that they are adequate to handle all the business they receive.

**Japanese Measures**  
The inability of Japan to fill the demands of Pacific trade and to satisfy her own military needs has led to drastic control measures, the Survey reports. The postponement of docking for repairs has been protested by Japanese insurance companies and shipowners. Compulsory overloading is another step contemplated.

Since June 1939, when Japan's shipbuilding programme bogged down, no official figures have been published, but it is estimated that less than 400,000 tons, as against 455,000 tons for 1937 and 1938, were turned out in 1939. The cost of a medium-sized vessel has increased almost four times since the outbreak of the China affair. It now takes a year and three quarters to build a large-sized ship that formerly required only 10 months. Japanese shipyards are on a priorities system for materials and are reported to be obtaining only a half of the steel they have requested.

The worst effects of the pinch are being experienced by the countries which lack an appreciable shipping of their own. Normally accommodating less than 6 per cent. of her own shipments,

## Philippines Affected

The Philippines began building up a merchant marine two years ago but has not achieved any substantial degree of independence, and in 1940 carried only 1.7 per cent. of her own commerce. The shipping shortage may prove disastrous to Philippine sugar economy. It has already resulted in increased rates on sugar from Manila to United States Atlantic ports and in a decline in the price of Philippine sugar. It is estimated that 230,000 tons out of the Philippines' duty free quota of 850,000 long tons may be unable to find transportation.

The tonnage of vessels entering and clearing Chinese ports decreased 15 per cent. in 1940. The withdrawal of foreign tonnage and the inability of Japan to take care of business relinquished, according to the Far Eastern Survey, have greatly increased the gravity of China's situation.

## BIG SALARIES IN AMERICA Mayer Tops List

WASHINGTON, June 23.—Louis B. Mayer kept top ranking as highest paid executive in the United States last year, receiving \$697,048, as managing director of production for Loew's Inc., motion-picture company.

This was brought out in a study of dozens of annual reports filed by large corporations with the Securities Commission. The second highest was Eugene C. Grace with \$478,114 as president of Bethlehem Steel Corporation. George W. Hill received \$450,415 as president of the American Tobacco Co.

Behind the top three in salaries or other remuneration came Hunt Stromberg, who got \$332,237 as supervisor of production for Loew's, and Nicholas M. Schenck, who was paid \$310,881 as president.

## \$200,000 List

The \$200,000 bracket included: W. C. Fields, \$255,000 and Deanna (Edna Mae) Durbin, \$209,833, both paid by Universal Pictures Company, Inc.; Paul M. Hann and Vincent Riggio, \$251,840 each, as vice-presidents of American Tobacco Company; Harry F. Sinclair, \$200,930 as executive committee chairman of Consolidated Oil Company; Walter S. Gifford, \$210,150, as president of American Telephone & Telegraph Company; Ernest T. Weir, \$245,400 as chairman; Robert C. Stanley, \$25,350, as president of International Nickel Company of Canada Ltd.

## ROOSEVELT RECEIVES HALIFAX

WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, conferred with President Roosevelt at the White House to-day.

Their talk was part of a series of conferences which President Roosevelt is holding with the State Department and British officials to analyse how the latest war developments will affect the United States.

There is no indication whether the President has yet reached any conclusion or decision. The President had a telephonic conversation with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, who is at present kept away from his office by a slight illness.

Afterwards, President Roosevelt had two telephone talks with Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, who later visited the White House personally.

## COMMONS' DEBATE

On Extension Of War

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—When Parliament next meets, there will be an immediate debate on Germany's latest act of aggression and its implications.

The previously arranged debate on the shipping situation which was to have taken place in the House of Commons in a secret session has been postponed to permit of war discussion.

Arrangements for the debate have not yet been definitely settled, but the opening statement on behalf of the Government will be made either by the Prime Minister or the Foreign Minister, and according to the course of the debate, one or the other of them may intervene when they have had an opportunity of hearing the views of members in different parts of the House.

## Wide Uses Of Stinging Nettles

Stinging nettles, bane of British farmers are to be converted from a national liability into a source of war funds.

During the summer, about 100 tons of the common stinging nettle (*Urtica dioica*) will be required for the production of the green pigment chlorophyll.

This is used both medicinally, as a nerve tonic, and for colouring soap and other products. One of the largest firms manufacturing chemicals in Great Britain has installed new plant and will more than double its output of chlorophyll.

In pre-war days most of the world's supply of chlorophyll came from Germany and Switzerland. The arrangements being made in Britain will not only ensure the home supplies, but will provide a surplus for export to other countries now cut off from normal sources of supply.

Collection of the nettles, which have to be dried before they are sent to the factory, where they are worth £30 to £40 per ton, will be carried out by the women's institutes of Britain's countryside and Boy Scout troops. These organisations are also being asked to collect other wild herbs for the distillation of drugs and essential oils.

## Turks Seek Information

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—While Turkey has proclaimed her neutrality in the German-Soviet war, she has asked Germany to define her aims with regard to Russia and particularly the territories of the Caucasus, reports the Istanbul correspondent of the Independent French agency.

**Wants Explanation**  
ANKARA, June 23 (UP).—It is believed that when the German Ambassador, von Papen, visited the Foreign Office early yesterday morning, he was informed that Turkey is absolutely neutral and was asked by the Turks for a complete explanation of German plans.

## 20,000 Prisoners In South Africa

DURBAN, June 23 (Reuter).—One thousand Italian prisoners from North Africa landed in a South African port recently, bringing the number now in South Africa to over 20,000. Sixty-two officers and men of the German raider recently sunk in the Indian Ocean by the cruiser Cornwall have also been landed.

These are the first German prisoners interned in South Africa. LONDON.—There are 242 police houses regularly on duty in the British capital. Police officials say they are no more harassed by guns and bombs than they are by cheering crowds or brass bands.



U. S. SEIZES NAZIS—Here are some of the 175 Nazi sailors rounded up by U. S. agents in New York and other cities. In New York alone 127 were seized. Above, they're about to be taken to Ellis Island for temporary keeping.

## CHINESE VIEWS ON WAR SPREAD

CHUNGKING, June 23 (Reuter).—Chinese sympathy for Soviet Russia and confidence in an ultimate Soviet victory was expressed by the Chinese official "Central Daily News" in the leading article this morning.

"From the point of view of both ideological and material interests," declares the paper, "a conflict between Germany and Soviet Russia was inevitable, but the outbreak of hostilities coming so soon is somewhat a surprise. Germany and Soviet Russia possess the largest armies in the world. The principles of their Governments were fundamentally at variance.

"This war will be quite different from Germany's wars against Poland, France and Greece. We firmly believe that international disputes should be settled and adjusted by proper diplomatic channels and peaceful procedure. Any settlement by force, even if successful, cannot be a satisfactory and permanent solution."

Germany, continues the journal, must bear the responsibility for the Axis since she undertook the invasion of Soviet Russia.

**Sympathies With Soviet**  
"Our sympathy goes to the Soviet Union and we are confident that its ultimate victory will be the Soviet's."

The paper, referring to the Axis Alliance states, "to understand the significance of the Tripartite Pact we must draw attention to the aims of the Anti-Comintern Pact. The powers of Germany, Italy and Japan have always considered—the four democracies—China, Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia—as their common enemies.

Other signatories of the Pact will probably clarify their attitude shortly in support of Germany. Since the Axis powers form a united front against the Democracies, concludes the paper, it is time for Soviet Russia to join the democracies, giving particular attention to the Axis partner in the Far East.

## Finns Try To Explain

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Conflicting reports in regard to the position of Finland in the Russo-German struggle tend to additional interest to the fact that M. Gripenberg, the Finnish Minister in London, visited Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, at the Foreign Office to-day, presumably to explain his country's attitude.

**Country Calm**  
STOCKHOLM, June 23 (Reuter).—Finland is calm, say Helsinki correspondents of Swedish newspapers.

The correspondent of "Alltenda" describes the smoothness of the evacuation of women and children from the Finnish capital where there is still no black-out ordered.

**Protest Lodged**  
LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Protest against the bombing of Finnish objectives by Soviet planes was made to the Soviet Minister when he visited the Finnish Foreign Minister to-day, says the Finnish radio.

## NEW ZEALAND CONCURS Aid For Russia

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister of New Zealand announced in London to-night that after consultation with his government in New Zealand, he was in a position to state that the New Zealand Government entirely concurred in the policy laid down by the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom in his broadcast last night with reference to the German attack on Russia, and will be glad to associate themselves in this matter with His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

This is the first of the British Dominion Governments officially to endorse the "British aid for Russia" policy enunciated by Mr. Churchill yesterday.

**Canada's Attitude**  
OTTAWA, June 23 (Reuter).—The Government will shortly review its attitude towards wheat shipments to Russia with prospects that permits will be granted.

Last autumn Canada refused Russian offers, fearing that the wheat would reach Germany.

**CANADA ORDERS 200 PLANES**  
OTTAWA, June 23 (Reuter).—It is understood that 200 aircraft are involved in an order which the Canadian Munitions Minister announced to-day, has been placed with the National Steel Corporation for Martin B26 twin-engine 13-ton bombers.

Excluding the cost of engines, propellers and instruments, the order totals \$25,000,000.

## WOMAN TIED TO STAIRCASE

WASHINGTON, June 23 (UP).—Police to-day broke into a house and freed Mrs. Chew Lai Ping Lee, 30, who was tied to a balustrade, just in time to allow her to give birth to a baby girl, her tenth child. Her husband, Park Lin Lee, laundryman, told the police that he did not know who had tied her up. She is in serious condition.

## ITALIANS IN AMERICA

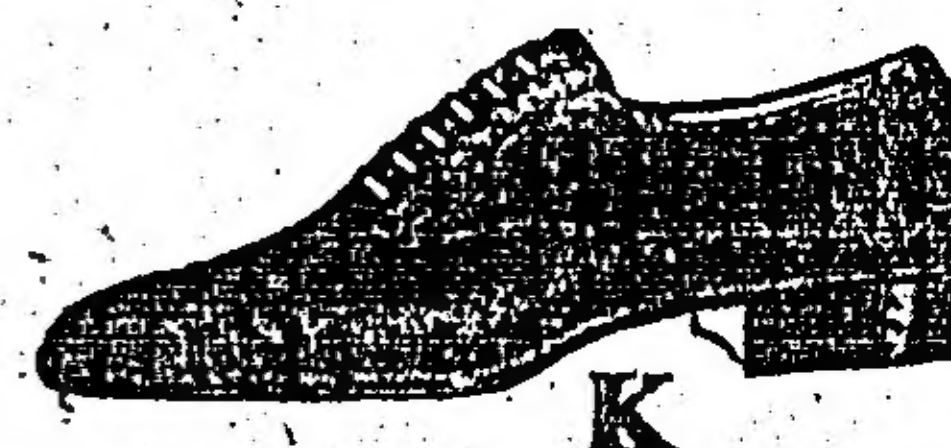
WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—All necessary steps to prevent any Italian nationals from leaving the United States pending further instructions have been ordered.

The Department of Justice announces that it has issued instructions to this effect to Immigration and Border Patrol officers. This action duplicates the steps taken against the Germans on June 18.

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## Richest Man's Income Is Now Cut to £30,000

Wish you were a millionaire, do you? Like Sir John Ellerman and Lord Nuffield, Lady Louis Mountbatten, and Miss Dorothy Paget. I have found out what being a millionaire means in "spending money," says a "Daily Express" reporter.

Britain's millionaires were numbered officially few years ago at 1,024, and they were said then to be increasing.

Qualification for the "millionaire" class is generally accepted as a gross income of £30,000 a year or more. But the richest of the rich—thirty-one-year-old Sir John Ellerman—has an income of about a million a year.

In seven years, by careful management, Sir John has doubled the £18,000,000 he inherited from his shipping-magnate father.

A million a year. Yes. But the Chancellor of the Exchequer will now leave Sir John with a mere £30,000 or so.

He will not, however, have to cut his standard of living. His personal expenditure is believed not to exceed £25,000 a year.

**100 Millionaires**  
There are nearly 100 millionaires who have £100,000 a year or more. When the tax collector has finished with them they will have less than a shilling for each £1 of their income.

The yearly income of the forty-five-year-old Duke of Devonshire has been assessed at £250,000. He was a "possible" for the Governor-Generalship of Canada following the death of Lord Tweedsmuir.

If he had gone to Canada he would have saved himself a substantial sum in taxation.

As a resident outside these islands he would have been to some extent free from tax here.

**Wealthy Women**

Fortunes of most of England's wealthiest women have American origins.

Miss Dorothy Paget's immense income is derived from America. The fortune of Lady Louis Mountbatten was made by her grandfather, Sir Ernest Cassel an adroit financier.

Lord May, whose "economist" report made Britain stop over-spending in 1931, is one of the so-called "lucky thousands."

He has never been interviewed. Few people outside big business and high finance know him by sight. There are many more you may not know; others you do know—men like Lord Nuffield and young Whitney Straight, whose deeds as an airman made one of the thrilling stories of the Norwegian campaign.

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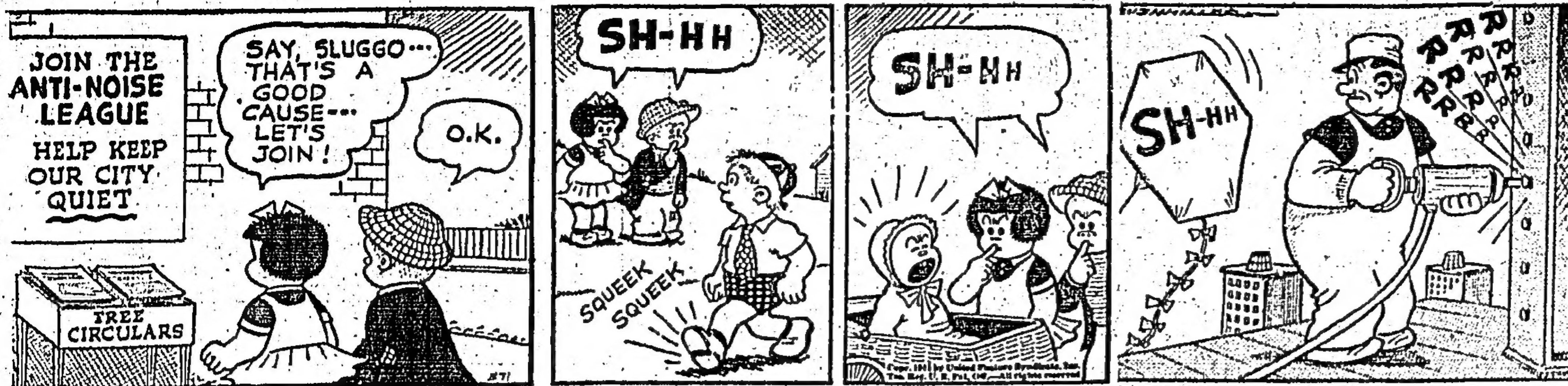
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# NANCY



## Girl's Ring Caused Envy In School

A HEADMASTER'S decision that girls should not wear jewellery in school "because it caused envy in the minds of other children and turned their minds from the path of education" resulted in a father being fined 10s. at Sheffield for not sending his nine-year-old daughter to school.

Harold Webster, radio dealer of Stocksbridge, near Sheffield, gave his daughter the silver ring that caused all the trouble.

Mr. G. R. Billington, prosecuting, said a teacher saw the girl wearing the ring, and it was placed on the teacher's desk.

Next day the father went to the school, demanded the ring, and put it back on the girl's finger.

Afterwards he did not send her to school.

The headmaster, Mr. John Weaver, said: "I discourage jewellery in school because it causes envy in the minds of other children and turns their minds from the path of true education."

### "Bangle Wrangle"

"The case recalls the Somerset 'Bangle Wrangle' which lasted from 1925 to 1930.

Violet Burton, daughter of a West Coker dairy farmer, was made to take off a silver bracelet in school, so her parents kept her from school for three years.

In 1930, after Violet had attended school normally for two years, her bangle and her determination to wear it, resulted in an inquiry attended by the headmistress, the school managers, and members of the county education committee. Then the matter dropped.

## Hun Prison Camp Fare Awful

TORONTO, May 9.—Pte. George Thompson of Toronto, in letters received here today by relatives, described his escape from a German prison camp in France and his return to England by way of Gibraltar.

"The food they gave us in that German camp was awful," he wrote to his sister, Mrs. R. J. Duggett, and his fiancée, Miss Doris Cox. "All we had for breakfast was a cup of black coffee without sugar or milk. It looked and tasted like coal dust screenings. For dinner we got boiled unsweetened rice, and for supper boiled lentils."

For the first 10 days after he was made a prisoner on July 9, he wrote, all they had to eat was biscuits and water.

## Heavily Armed U. S. Plane

WASHINGTON.—The Army, it was disclosed recently, has completed tests of a new plane which is the most heavily armed of any American fighter yet produced.

The ship, designated the YP-39C, is an improved model of the Bell P-39. What conclusions were reached from the tests were not announced.

The plane, which is being turned out at Buffalo, N. Y., for both the Army Air Corps and the Royal Air Force, is powered by an Allison liquid-cooled motor more powerful than that used in the original P-39. Although pursuit plane, but is "virtually the same in external appearance," the War Department said.



WELCOME!—Citizens of Liverpool, England, that has been frequent target for Hitler's airmen, sweep forward to welcome Primo Minister Churchill, on visit to important manufacturing city. Note he waves navy cap instead of his usual Iron hat.

## War Holds No Terrors For British Nudists

Britain's biggest nudist camp at Green Hills, Hertfordshire, has faced the fact that modern war is war in the air—and now trades stare for stare with Royal Air Force pilots who conduct low-altitude reconnaissance flights over the camp.

"They seem to be over the camp a great deal," said the proprietor, his black beard streaming in the cold May wind, "but I expect they'll get used to us as we're getting used to them."

**Firewatching Too Cold**

At first the nudists, who sprawled on the green lawn within the woodland camp, thought of hot-footing it for the bushes whenever inquisitive flyers swooped over.

"But everything in life being relative," the proprietor philosophised, "we adjusted ourselves. Nowadays, we just look up at them as they look down at us."

It didn't take the R.A.F. patrols long to spot the 10-acre park dedicated to the absorption of sunshine and fresh air in the altogether.

"If those pilots are as good at locating their targets across the water as they were in finding us, they will serve their country nobly," the proprietor said.

The proprietor's wife explained that the nudists do not shun their responsibilities during air raids. "The nights are too cold now," of course, for fire-watching in the nude," she said, "but on summer nights we'll be out with only our tin hats on."

## Television Given Public Showing

NEW YORK, May 10.—America's contribution to the development of large screen television for the theatre was given its first public demonstration to 1,200 invited guests recently. Images were projected to a 15-by-20-foot size.

The demonstration, conducted by the Radio Corporation of America, was designed to show laboratory progress since previous tests "with smaller screens. Projection is accomplished with a high brilliancy receiving tube which operates on 75,000 volts and has a special optical system. Connection to the transmitting source was by cable, but the system has worked as well in pickups off the air.

Results obtained were regarded by observers as the best they had seen to date. Brilliance did not equal that of a movie, but it was sufficient for satisfactory viewing.

## Attempt To Revive Dead Man Fails

An unsuccessful attempt to revive a murderer who had been executed in an electric chair was described to Massachusetts Medical Society by Dr. William Brickley.

The attempt was made to determine whether a new heart and brain machine could establish the fact of death.

Dr. Brickley said he worked on the body for 70 minutes, immediately after electrocution.

He used adrenalin, manual massage, and the Faradic electrical current for heart stimulation, but the murderer was "dead beyond recall."

## Part of U. S. Still at War

BERLIN, May 12.—The German press has discovered that "part of America" is formally at war with Germany.

The Tuscarora Indian tribe, of New York State, part of the Iroquois group, formally declared war on Germany in 1917 as "independent people," the press said, because they didn't consider themselves included in the United States' declaration of war.

But the Tuscaroras "never offered to smoke the peace pipe with a German representative" during peace negotiations and hence still are at war, the press said.

BEAMSVILLE, Ontario, May 9 (AP).—The Beamsville Town Council has ordered books by Charles A. Lindbergh removed from Public Library shelves. Similar action was taken by the Guelph Council recently.

## Huge Button Order For The Army

The clothing of Kitchener's Army in 1914 was seriously delayed by a shortage of trousers buttons. Buttons are a problem in this war, too, for the Quartermaster-General's department was suddenly called on to provide 24,000,000 of them.

This was revealed in an interview by Lt.-Gen. Sir Wilfred Lindsell, who is in charge of the Administration of the Home Forces.

Gen. Lindsell said his task was to supply everything that the Army wanted, from women's underwear for the A.T.S. to 15in. guns, or from a surgical needle to a heavy tank.

### Tremendous Tonnage

"The tonnage to be handled is tremendous," he said. "Whether a soldier is in Libya or elsewhere he requires one-third of a ton of supplies per month."

"In this country there can be no stabilised front. We have therefore to be prepared to fight a war in our own lines, and there is no part of these islands which can be regarded as immune."

"Inevitably, therefore, in the event of attempted invasion, every priority would have to be given to the movement of men and munitions."

Gen. Lindsell pointed out that the Army was at present using only two-thirds of the amount of petrol consumed by private motor-cars in Britain.

## Confusion Over "Billion"

Sir Percy Hurd recently asked the Prime Minister whether he was aware of the confusion arising from differences of meaning of the word "billion" on the two sides of the Atlantic, and whether, in view of our new economic intimacy, he would confer with the Governments of the U.S.A. and Canada so as to obtain uniformity in the matter.

Mr. Churchill replied that the word "billion," it was true, had two meanings, but he did not think that this was a practical difficulty in negotiations. For all practical official purposes, one billion represented £1,000,000,000, "especially in the case of anything we owe." (Laughter.)

[In Great Britain a billion means a million millions; in the United States 1,000 millions.]

# AMERICANS WANT BRITISH ART

The Lease and Lend Act has had an unexpected echo in the world of art. The closer association of the two democracies has led to Great Britain's private collections of works of art being scoured by the picture dealers to gratify the increasing interest of American collectors.

They are asking chiefly for portraits by front rank English and Scottish painters of the late 18th and early 19th century and for landscapes by English painters of a hundred years ago.

Two Scottish portrait painters come high among the "wanted." Raeburn, whose portraits have for many years commanded a higher price than is generally realised, probably heads it. Almost as popular, and more rare, is the work of another great Scottish portrait painter, Alexander Nasmyth (1758-1840).

Connoisseurs in the United States are ranging beyond the names of the more famous English portrait painters, John Downman, the Devon artist, and John Singleton Copley, who was born in Massachusetts but later worked in England, are of high value to-day.

### London Scenes

So are the English landscapes by John W. Wilson and Samuel Scott's records of Jacobean and Georgian London.

Good contemporary work of historic London buildings is also much sought after to record the metropolis as it was in the days immediately before the destroyers swooped upon it.

An odd aspect of the new American demand for English work is that it has completely ousted the pre-war popularity in the States for Dutch interiors, seascapes, pastoral and skating scenes.

## CHICK-SEXERS ARE EXEMPT

Chick-sexers have been exempted in Australia from military duty, because of their value to the poultry industry, says a Sydney report.

Mr. F. D. Evans, of Dundas, official teacher of chick-sexing to the Department of Agriculture disclosed this recently.

There are 23 certified chick-sexers in New South Wales, four of them women.

"If there were any fewer chick-sexers poultry farmers' expenses would be doubled," said Mr. Evans. "Instead of being able to buy 1,000 sexed chickens, they would have to buy 2,000 day-old chicks to get the 1,000 pullets."

"Usually chicks are 50 per cent. cockerels and 50 per cent. pullets. They would have to pay for the thousands of unwanted chicks, and feed and house them."

Mr. Evans, who can sex 700 to 800 chicks an hour, is paid a half-penny a chick.

## UNITS BANNED IN BANNS

When a soldier and his bride-to-be put up the banns, they may unwittingly give information to the enemy, says the War Office. The Registrar-General has therefore ordered that a soldier's unit must no longer be recorded, and that only the name of the town in which he is stationed should be given as his address.

## Land Girls Join For War Work

A record number of recruits have joined the Women's Land Army since the announcement that women were to be registered for war work. Applications for enrolment have been to between 400 and 500 a week. Recruits must agree to go wherever they are sent.

"A good type of recruit is joining," an official said. "Girls who have just left school or university, domestic servants, factory girls and shop assistants, especially from areas where the population has diminished through evacuation, are all seeking work on farms."

A few weeks ago there was a long list of farmers waiting for land girls. To-day trained volunteers can be supplied at short notice.

### Many Volunteer

There are more than 10,000 W.L.A. volunteers in permanent employment in farming, market gardening and forestry, and well over 1,000 in reserve. Thousands more women between 18 and 40 will have to be employed.

The need now is for farmers, faced with more and more work through the extension of tillage and with the call-up of 10,000 men after next harvest, to look ahead and notify their requirements well in advance, so that a flow of recruits can be maintained.

## FARMERS LOSE LAND War Measures

Hundreds of farmers who have been given notice to quit "for the duration and three years" by county war agricultural committees will in effect be completely dispossessed of their land.

Mr. A. G. Mobbs, of Oulton Broad, Suffolk, a prominent member of the National Farmers' Union executive, said that the position was causing grave alarm.

The war agricultural committees are empowered to eject any farmer whose land they consider not to be cultivated in such a way as to ensure maximum food production. In Suffolk alone 81 farmers, farming 5,534 acres, have been displaced. Usually, the farm is handed over by the committee to another farmer "for the duration and three years."

What is alarming the National Farmers' Union is that the displaced farmer remains liable for the cost of restoring the farm, including repairs to farm buildings, and for other charges such as those never before able to go back to their own farms," Mr. Mobbs said. "They could not possibly meet the charges which will have mounted up."

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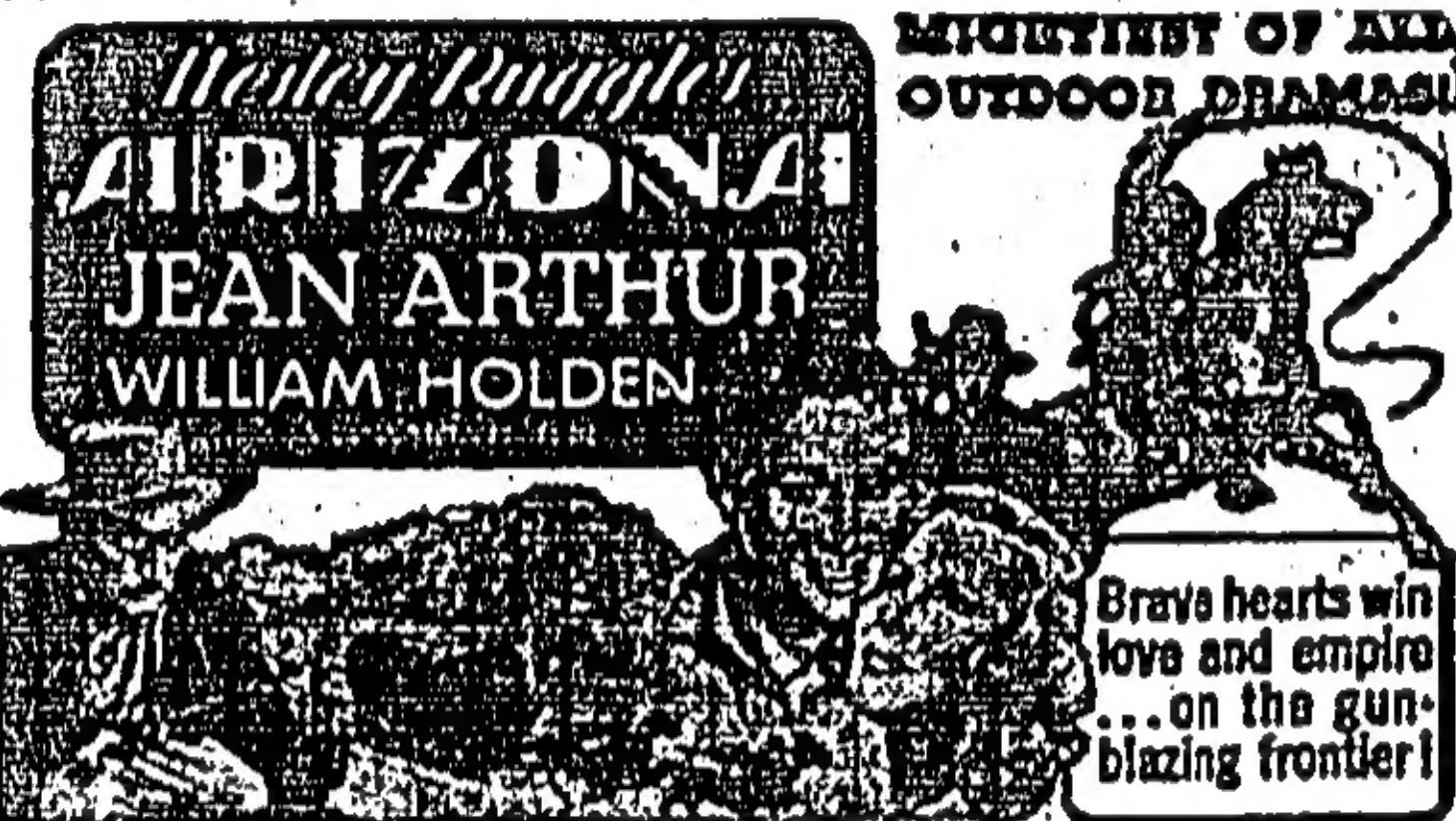
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## Government To Consult Parents

BEFORE girls under 20 are pressed to take work in munition factories away from home, their parents are to be consulted.

This is indicated by Mr Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, in a reply to Mr Dingle Foot, M.P. for Dundee. "The main questions to be considered," says the Minister, "would be whether the employment was suitable and whether it was reasonable to ask the girls to take employment at a distance."

He adds that the same considerations do not apply to employment of a well-recognised peace-time standard.

Even in such cases he thinks it reasonable that the girls' parents should be approached for their advice.

## No Rice At Weddings

The age-old custom of showering rice over brides and grooms is now outlawed in Great Britain. Rice-throwing is an offence now under Defence Regulations.

The Home Office is experimenting with a wristlet broadcasting contrivance to help locate persons buried beneath bomb wreckage.

A Home Office inspectress was mystified when pupils at an approved school asked that a red-covered hymnal be used at the school. Later she learned the students were rubbing off the colouring and using it as rouge.

## LATE NEWS

### Raids On Reich

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique states, "Bremen and Wilhelmshaven were the main objectives of an attack on the northwest German last night. At Wilhelmshaven, particularly large fires were started. Among other targets attacked during the night were Bremen, Bremerhaven, and Dusseldorf. One enemy fighter was shot down and three British bombers are missing."

### Fire Aboard Bremen

STOCKHOLM, June 23 (UP).—A despatch from Berlin to the "Tidningar" alleges that it can now be revealed that the fire aboard the liner Bremen which almost destroyed the vessel was due to sabotage on the part of German Communists.

### Franco And Suner Mystery

NEW YORK, June 23 (UP).—The National Broadcasting Company reports having intercepted a Madrid despatch which was announced over the Tokyo radio that General Franco and Senor Suner, after an emergency Cabinet meeting departed for an "unknown destination."

### Britain's Relations With Finland

LONDON, June 23 (UP).—It is authoritative stated that relations between Britain and Finland will remain unchanged because the Finns are not in alliance with Germany.



ITALIANS LEFT THEM—Pile of Italian shells left behind by troops retreating in Eritrea, in face of British drive through Red Sea colony. Britain now has completely wrested country from Italians.

## POLES SEEK COMMON GROUND WITH REDS

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—"The Polish-Russian question which might have shadowed the outlook of many friends of ours in the west and has caused noxious friction and clashes, I believe may disappear from international politics."

This statement was made by the Polish Prime Minister, General Sikorski, in a declaration approved by the Polish Cabinet.

This followed a meeting of the Polish Cabinet to discuss the German attack on Russia. The declaration which was broadcast from London to Poland, also declares that Germany, the foremost foe of Poland, has torn asunder an alliance which has so long been a source of our greatest misfortune. By striking at Russia, they are undertaking at a great risk, a task of which the issue is uncertain and must be weakening.

### Break Litovsk

Declaring that since the Treaty of Brest Litovsk in 1918, Russia had continually collaborated with Germany, the declaration adds, "we are entitled to assume that Russia will now cancel the pact of 1918."

Thousands of Polish men and women, including 300,000 war prisoners are still suffering in Russian prisons, and "should it not be deemed right and honest to restore these people to their country?"

### German Weakness

The declaration states that the German attack "testifies far greater to German weakness than we had suspected. This attempt to destroy the military power of the Soviet in order to avoid the threat in the east of the German armies when they assault the British Isles—can only mean that the Germans fear that military power."

"Also the quest at all costs for the raw materials of Russia proves the need for such materials."

## U.S. Condemns Nazis Attack

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and will, therefore, redound to the benefit of our own defence and security.

"No further proof could conceivably be required of the real purpose and projects of the present leaders of Germany for world domination. It is now furnished by Hitler's treacherous attack upon Soviet Russia.

### Religious Freedom

Declaring that both the Nazi and Soviet Governments denied their peoples religious freedom, Mr Welles continued: "To the people of the United States, this and other principles and doctrines of the Communist dictatorship are as intolerable and as alien to their own beliefs as are the principles and doctrines of Nazi dictatorship. Neither kind of imposed overlordship can or will have any support or any sway in the mode of life or in the system of government of the American people, but the immediate issue that presents itself to the people of the United States is whether the plan for universal conquest, for the cruel enslavement of all peoples and for the ultimate destruction of the remaining free democracies which Hitlerism is now desperately trying to carry out, is to be successfully halted and defeated."

### Present Issue

"That is the present issue which faces a realistic America. It is an issue at this moment which most directly involves our own national defence and the security of the New World in which we live."

Mr Giuseppe (or Joseph) Benini, of Tottenham Court Road, W., former headmaster at the Piccadilly Hotel, who died at sea in July, in the Arandora Star, left £4,526 (net personalty £1,987).

## Tremendous Armed Clashes Anticipated

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European conflict are dealt with in exclusive "United Press" messages. One says that according to the Madrid Foreign Office spokesman, the Spanish people desire to send soldiers to aid in crushing Russia, but he declined to state whether or not they would be sent.

### "Hetman" Appointed

"The Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm paper 'Tidningarna' says that it is reliably reported that a Mr K. B. Skoropadsky has already been proclaimed 'Hetman' (Leader) of the 'Free Ukraine.' Skoropadsky is at present in Berlin with his son, at a recent London message says that it is reliably reported that Moscow has accepted Britain's offer of aid and has tendered Soviet military and economic aid to Britain.

Sweden's future role is also discussed in London. Some uneasiness, says "United Press," is noticeable in responsible Swedish circles lest the developments in the Baltic cause Hitler to seek German naval bases in Sweden.

"Reuter" from London reports that according to the Helsinki Radio the Finnish High Command has ordered protective measures to be taken in all towns and densely populated areas against air raids.

More than 1,000 Finnish children have arrived in Sweden. An air raid alarm was sounded in southern Finland last night. A Finnish trawler moving out of the Petsamo fjord is stated to have been fired on by a Russian shore battery.

### British Military Mission

Another "Reuter" telegram says that it is stated in Istanbul that a British military mission is leaving Egypt for Moscow to co-ordinate the war efforts of the two countries.

## Author Of "Battle Of Britain"

The author of the very successful Stationery Office success, "The Battle of Britain" is Mr Hilary St George Saunders.

Mr Saunders is a fair-haired, not very tall, well-built man of about 43. With Mr John Palmer, who used to be the "Evening Standard" dramatic critic, he has produced several novels under the name of Francis Beeding. The latest of these was a thriller on the fall of France, called "Eleven Were Brave." The "Eleven" were the French Ministers who voted at Bordeaux, in a Cabinet of 24, for France to go on fighting. Mr Saunders had been at the British Embassy in Paris as liaison officer to the French Ministry of Information. He escaped by way of Bordeaux in a boat which was bombed but not hit.

## Australia, N. Zealand Co-Operation

An important new step in Empire co-operation has been taken by the appointment of a permanent committee comprising two Australian and two New Zealand Cabinet Ministers. They will meet regularly to co-operate in using the full resources of both Dominions in the common war effort.

An extensive group of Commonwealth Government explosive factories are to be established in New South Wales at a cost of several million pounds, Senator McBride, the Commonwealth Minister for Munitions, announced.

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The flats are to be a clearing centre where those bombed out will be temporarily housed until permanent homes are found them.

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Here is a twilight picture of Kiev, capital of the Ukraine, which is likely to become a key position in the joint Nazi-Rumanian drive against the Russian territory. Kiev has already suffered air raids.



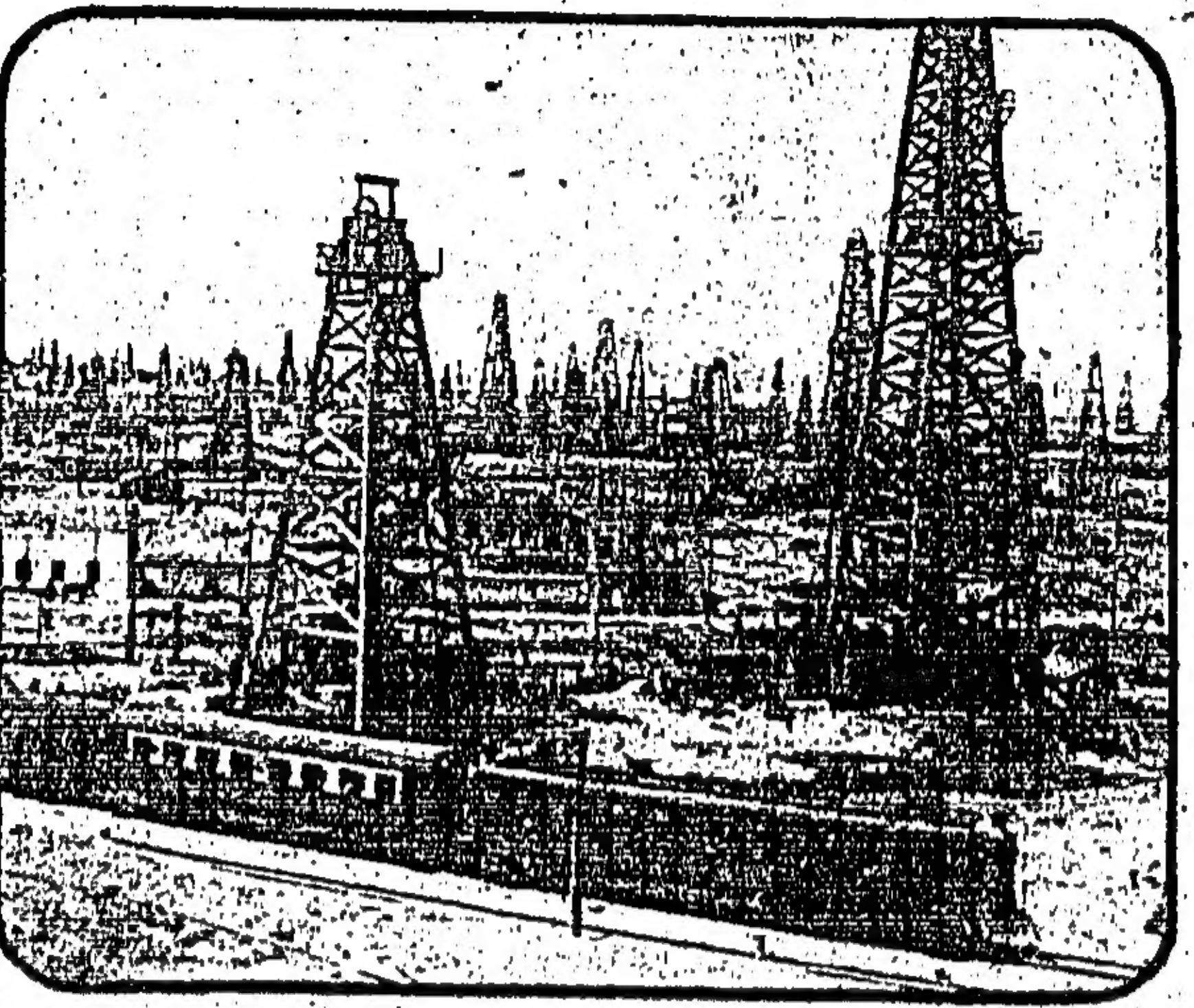
# TREMENDOUS ARMED CLASHES ANTICIPATED BY BERLIN

One Of The Nazis' Latest Objectives

## Invaders Due To Meet Main Soviet Forces Shortly

Special to the "Telegraph"

MAIN REPORTS ON THE NAZI-SOVIET CONFLICT CONTINUE TO EMANATE FROM BERLIN AND OTHER GERMAN SOURCES. "UNITED PRESS" QUOTES THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY FROM BERLIN TO THE EFFECT THAT THE NAZIS HAVE BROKEN THROUGH THE RED TROOPS' FORTIFIED LINES AT MANY PLACES AND THAT TREMENDOUS CLASHES WITH THE MAIN SOVIET FORCES ON THE WESTERN RUSSIAN FRONTIERS WERE EXPECTED MOMENTARILY.



Electrified train passing through the Baku oilfields.

## LUFTWAFFE THRASHED AGAIN: LOSE ANOTHER 18 PLANES

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. gave speedy action to Mr Churchill's promise to Russia of fierce day and night bombing of Germany within a few hours of the Prime Minister's speech on Sunday night. Twice to-day at least, bombers, accompanied by large numbers of fighters, swept over Northern France and while their escorts were shooting down 18 German fighters, they attacked once again the important industrial plant near Bethune and other targets.

The objectives of the offensive sweep in the evening have not so far been disclosed, but experienced listeners on the English coast were inclined to believe that heavy attacks were being made on the Germans' advanced aerodromes.

Two bombers are missing. Eleven German fighters were shot down.

**Little Opposition**

By contrast, very little opposition was met in the sweep of the day and night fighters, particularly the Fies, were glum on their return over the disinclination of the enemy to fight.

Seven German planes were shot down on this occasion for the loss of two British fighters.

On Sunday night, northwest German ports, chiefly Bremen and Wilhelmshaven, were hammered.

**Big Channel Sweeps**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

FOLKESTONE, June 23 (UP).—The R.A.F. again carried out a TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## King Remembers Malta's Courage

MALTA, June 23 (Reuter).—The King has paid a tribute to Malta's "unflinching, gallantry and resolution."

Replying in a telegram to the Governor of Malta's birthday greetings, the Secretary of State for the Colonies says, "His Majesty thanks you for your message and desires me to say that his thoughts are constantly with his loyal subjects in Malta in the severe ordeal which they are facing with such unflinching gallantry and resolution."

## Spain Pleased With Anti-Red Campaign

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Senor Ximenez de Sandoval, Madrid's Foreign Office spokesman, this afternoon made the first official Spanish comment on the Russo-German war.

He told a Press conference, "I can express to you the satisfaction with which the Spanish Government—the final interpreter of the feelings of the people—have received the news of war against Soviet Russia, the common enemy of all, and against whom the war of liberation of Spain was one of the most determined noble and heroic struggles."

Asked about rumours concerning Spanish volunteers to fight against the U.S.S.R., the spokesman said "I am not authorised to reply, but I can say that without doubt it is the desire of many thousands of Spaniards."

The German Ambassador in Madrid, von Stohrer, yesterday had a long conference with General Franco after informing Senor Suer about Germany's action against Russia.

To-day Sr. Suer received the Italian Ambassador and the Japanese Minister. He will see the Turkish Minister to-morrow.

## BOMBER FUND DONATION

A donation of \$200 to the Bomber Fund has been received from Messrs Li and Fung, Ltd.

## PETAIN OUSTED BY DARLAN

Minor Indications

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The relations between Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan are once more reported to be very strained, says a despatch from the French frontier to the Independent French news agency.

According to well-informed sources, Marshal Petain has the impression that Darlan is trying to get rid of him. He has noticed that in several administrative and ministerial offices, Darlan's photograph has replaced his.

Marshal Petain believes that Darlan is trying to assure himself of the support of ex-servicemen and that he has made several powerful allies among the Police.

Darlan, on his side, is acting very cautiously and does not even inform his own officers and intimate collaborators of his plans.

**How Vichy Took News**

ZURICH, June 23 (Reuter).—News of the outbreak of the Russo-German war caused a great sensation in Vichy where, up to the last moment, it had not been expected, says the Vichy correspondent of the "Gazette de Lorraine."

Official circles are reserved, the correspondent adds, but certain influential quarters have expressed satisfaction at the aims of undertaking a crusade against Communism.

## War Simplifies Export Control

MANILA, June 24 (UP).—The "Manila Bulletin" this morning quoted informed circles as saying that the Russo-German war will result in a considerable easing up of export control since it will now be impossible to transport goods to Germany through Siberia.

## Muscovites Cheered By Resistance

MOSCOW, June 23 (Reuter).

Flushed by the first war communiqué issued by the Soviet High Command declaring that the maximum penetration of the enemy is only nine miles, Muscovites have gone to work to-day in high spirits.

The effect of last night's mobilization order was seen to-day when approaches to the main railway stations were crowded with parents and wives seeing off sons and husbands. Many of these parents are former peasants who found work in rapidly-expanding Moscow and the Red Air Force.

Many of these scenes were tearful as Russians are emotional, but there is no doubt of the peoples' conviction of the strength of the Red Army and the Red Air Force.

News of Mr Churchill's broadcast quickly spread and has done much to prevent any impression that this is a general assault on the Communist state but simply an action against Nazi aggression.

## New Raid On Alexandria

ALEXANDRIA, June 23 (Reuter).—Twenty persons were killed and 60 injured in an air raid on Alexandria early this morning, says a Ministry of the Interior communiqué. Some damage was done.

## Portuguese Vessel Torpedoed

LISBON, June 23 (Reuter).—The torpedoing of the Portuguese merchant ship Ganda, reported yesterday, when 20 survivors out of a total of 16 passengers and 50 crew were landed in Lisbon, has excited public opinion here.

The Ganda, it is stated, was carrying goods only between Portugal and her West African colonies as she always does.

There could be no doubt about her Portuguese markings, says one newspaper. "The Government will certainly not fail to use every effort to clear up what took place and to confidently expect the nation to protest indignantly against this wicked attack."

All German planes returned to their base, it is claimed, while only a few were lightly damaged by the A.A. fire.

**Fantastic Claims**

Fantastic German propaganda reports are being issued regarding the alleged Soviet air losses. One Berlin report, quoted by "United Press," asserts that on the information available, about 1,200 Soviet planes had been shot down or destroyed on the ground during the first 24 hours of fighting.

Apart from actual fighting other aspects of the new phase in the TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## U.S. Condemns Nazis "Treacherous Attack"

WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—The United States Government has formally condemned Germany's "treacherous attack" on the Soviet Union.

This formal declaration of policy was read by Mr Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, at a large press conference. Mr Welles declared that the immediate issue before the American people was whether Hitler's plan for universal conquest was to be successfully halted and defeated.

## Destroyer Sunk By R.A.F. At Beirut

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—An enemy destroyer is believed to have been sunk in the harbour of Beirut yesterday, states an R.A.F. Middle East communiqué.

The communiqué says that R.A.F. bombers attacked enemy shipping in the harbour of Beirut. One destroyer received a direct hit and is believed to have sunk, and a merchant ship along the mole was set on fire.

## ALLIES AT PALMYRA

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—British troops have reached Palmyra in Syria, according to a G.H.Q. communiqué issued here to-day.

They are meeting resistance there from a Vichy column. Allied forces are in contact with Vichy troops west of Damascus. In the town itself, the situation is quiet.

On other fronts, fighting is continuing.

**Thrust To Horns**

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—The British mechanised column which reached Palmyra after meeting air and ground opposition is threatening the important and modern air base there.

This column would appear to be thrusting towards Horns, which would effectively cut off the Vichy forces in south Syria from the northern forces.

**Syrian Situation**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 23 (UP).—Authoritative quarters report that the British forces have completed the capture of Mezzeh and have occupied the Bmeria and Kilian forts in the Merj Ayoun area of Syria.

**Battle For Pipelines**

VICHY, June 23 (UP).—An official despatch from Beirut states that a battle in the middle of the desert at the pipeline fortress and airfield at Palmyra began at noon to-day with the simultaneous arrival of two British motorized columns across the desert from Abou Keman and Teloum-Karani, respectively.

## LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

## Japan Disillusioned Over Axis Partners

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, June 23 (UP).—Senator Elbert Thomas of Utah, the foreign relations specialist, and often times Administration spokesman, in an interview with the "United Press" to-day stated that the chief question raised by the Russo-German war is Japan's reaction.

"Japan will now need her great statesmanship to determine the wisest course in the face of this gigantic development," he declared. "I think that Japan must now be disillusioned with her attachment to the Axis and sees that she has been making friends with the wrong nations."

Senator Thomas speaking as a former friend of Japan, and as one who had lived a long time in that country said, "I think that Japan will see the mistake she has been making in aligning herself with the Nazis, especially if Mr Matsukata was TURN to Back Page, Column 3



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## His Medal For "Lying In Bed"

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Last month he was awarded the Cornwell Medal, highest honour in the Scout Movement.

Miss Bateman, his Scoutmistress, said that Arthur, who lives in Camberwell, said to her one day: "I'm dead. It says in the first-aid book that if one-third of you is burned you are sure to die." His friends in his ward cheered him when the London County Scout Commissioner pinned the badge to his uniform.

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#### DEFENCE REGULATIONS 1940

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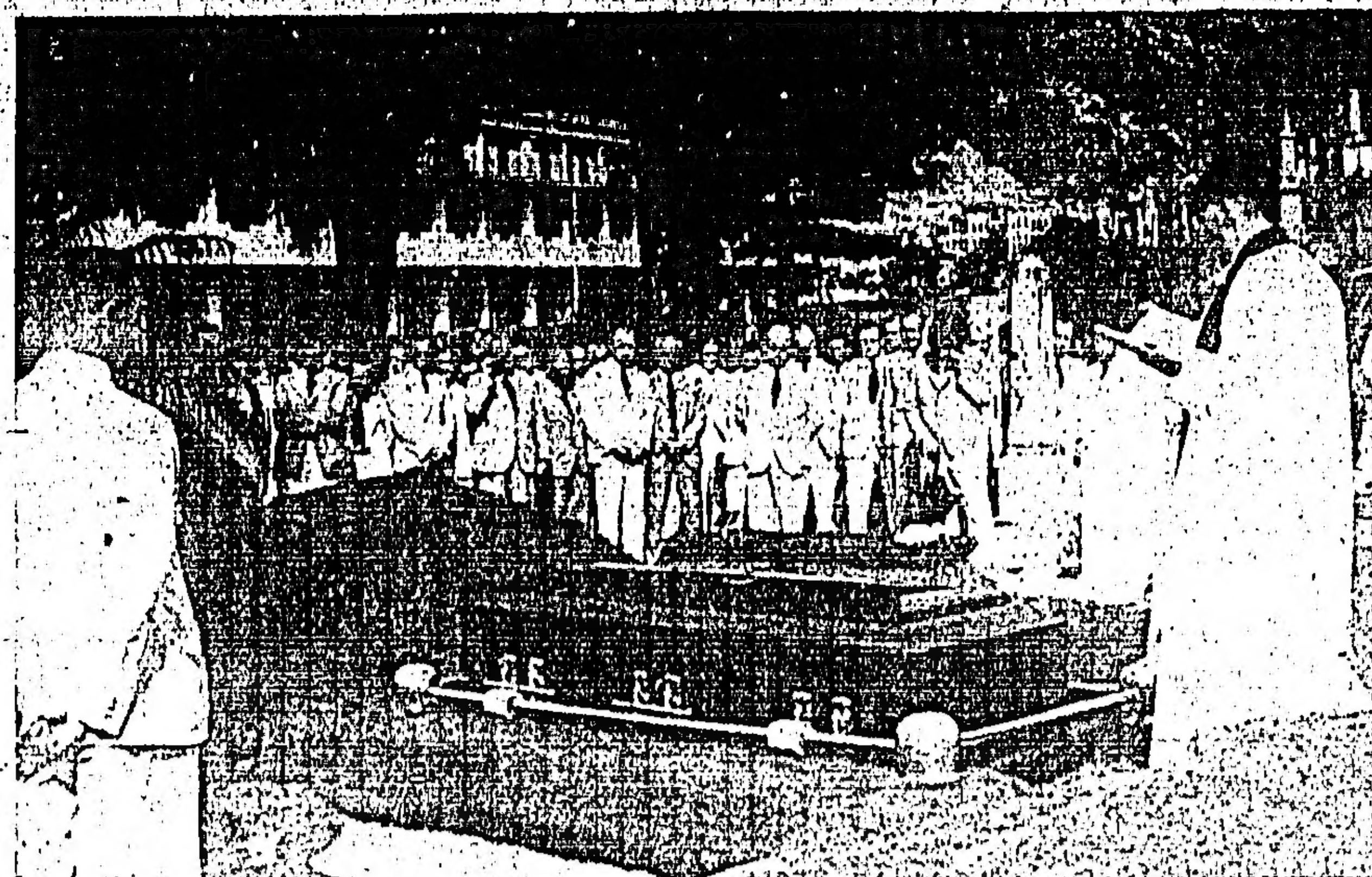
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Interment scene at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday when a large number of people were present to pay their last respects to the late Mr. C. W. Jeffries, Director of the Royal Observatory. His Excellency the Governor was represented at the funeral by his A.D.C., Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

## NAZI TROOP ACTIVITY IN SOUTH & WEST NORWAY

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—A sudden increase in German activity on the south and west coasts of Norway is indicated in reports reaching the Norwegian telegraph agency. German troops are reported to be constantly moving westwards from Oslo.

A large part of the coastal region has been declared a fully prohibited area and permits for entrance to and exit from it are issued only very exceptionally.

The area extends inland for about 60 miles from the north side of Nordfjord and then southwards, passing the head of Sognefjord and Hardanger Fjord and as far south as Kragero on the south coast.

Large-scale evacuations of Norwegian citizens are being undertaken with drastic suddenness. In the Osterlandet district near Trondheim, large cultivated areas have been taken over by the Germans.

Farmers are being driven out at a moment's notice. At one place, the Germans even set fire to some barracks in order to clear the ground.

## COMMONS' DEBATE

### On Extension of War

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—When Parliament next meets, there will be an immediate debate on Germany's latest act of aggression and its implications.

The previously arranged debate on the shipping situation which was to have taken place in the House of Commons in a secret session has been postponed to permit of war discussion.

Arrangements for the debate have not yet been definitely settled, but the opening statement on behalf of the Government will be made either by the Prime Minister or the Foreign Minister, and according to the course of the debate, one or the other of them may intervene when they have had an opportunity of hearing the views of members in different parts of the House.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

**Buyers**  
Bank of East Asia \$72  
Canton Ins. X.D. \$212.50  
H.K. Fire Ins. \$177.50  
Indo-China (Pref.) \$80  
Wharves \$87  
Docks \$15  
Providents \$5.20  
Hotels \$2.95  
Lands \$31.50  
Realities \$2.75  
Chinese Estate X.D. \$90  
Trams \$10.10  
Lights "O" \$5.80  
Electricity "O" X. Rts \$21.75  
Electricity Rts \$10.80  
Telephones "O" \$22.25  
Cements \$13.75  
Ropes \$7.50  
Dairy Farms \$17  
Entertainment \$0.25  
Watsons \$10.10

**Sales**  
Union Ins. \$400  
H.K. Steamboats \$8  
Providents \$5.30  
Electricity "O" X. Rts \$20.75  
Electricity Rts \$10.75/11  
Cements \$14  
Ropes \$7.50  
Watsons \$10.25

## 20,000 Prisoners In South Africa

DURBAN, June 23 (Reuter).—One thousand Italian prisoners from North Africa landed in a South African port recently, bringing the number now in South Africa to over 20,000. Sixty-two officers and men of the German navy recently sunk in the Indian Ocean by the cruiser Cornwall have also been landed.

These are the first German prisoners interned in South Africa.

**Fire Aboard Bremen**  
STOCKHOLM, June 23 (UP).—A despatch from Berlin to the "Tidningen" alleges that it can now be revealed that the fire aboard the liner Bremen which almost destroyed the vessel was due to sabotage on the part of German Communists.

## POLES SEEK COMMON GROUND WITH REDS

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—"The Polish-Russian question which might have shadowed the outlook of many friends of ours in the west and has caused noxious friction and clashes, I believe may disappear from international politics."

This statement was made by the Polish Prime Minister, General Sikorski, in a declaration approved by the Polish Cabinet.

This followed a meeting of the Polish Cabinet to discuss the German attack on Russia.

"The declaration which was broadcast from London to Poland, also declares that Germany, the foremost foe of Poland, has torn asunder an alliance which has so long been a source of our greatest misfortunes. By striking at Russia, they are undertaking at a great risk, a task of which the issue is uncertain and must be weakening."

### Brest Litovsk

Declaring that since the Treaty of Brest Litovsk in 1918, Russia had continually collaborated with Germany, the declaration adds, "we are entitled to assume that Russia will now choose the path of 1939."

Thousands of Polish men and women, including 300,000 war prisoners, are still suffering in Russian prisons, and "should it not be deemed right and honest to restore these people to their country?"

**German Weakness**  
The declaration states that the German attack "testifies far greater to German weakness than we had suspected. This attempt to destroy the military power of the Soviet in order to avoid the threat in the rear of the German armies when they assault the British Isles can only mean that the Germans fear that military power."

"Also the quest at all costs for the raw materials of Russia proves the need for such materials."

## ROOSEVELT RECEIVES HALIFAX

WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, conferred with President Roosevelt at the White House to-day.

Their talk was part of a series of conferences which President Roosevelt is holding with the State Department and British officials to analyse how the latest war developments will affect the United States.

There is no indication whether the President has yet reached any conclusion or decision.

The President had a telephonic conversation with Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, who is at present kept away from his office by a slight illness.

Afterwards, President Roosevelt had two telephone talks with Mr. Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, who later visited the White House personally.

## Turks Seek Information

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—While Turkey has proclaimed her neutrality in the German-Soviet war, she has asked Germany to define her aims with regard to Russia and particularly the territories of the Caucasus, reports the Istanbul correspondent of the Independent French agency.

**Wants Explanation**  
ANKARA, June 23 (UP).—It is believed that when the German Ambassador von Papen visited the Foreign Office early yesterday morning, he was informed that Turkey is absolutely neutral and was asked by the Turks for a complete explanation of German plans.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

**BANKS**  
H.K. Banks \$.....1,315 b.  
H.K. Banks & Co. \$.....70 n.  
H.K. Banks (H.K.) \$.....79 n.  
Chartered \$.....53 n.  
Mercantile, A. & B. \$.....23 1/2 n.  
Mercantile, C. & S. \$.....11 1/2 n.  
East Asia \$.....72 b.

**INSURANCES**  
Canton X.D. \$.....212 1/2 b.  
Union \$.....400 sa.  
China Underwriters \$.....1 n.  
H.K. Fire \$.....180 b.

**SHIPPING**  
Douglas \$.....128 n.  
Steamships \$.....8 sa.  
Indo-China P. \$.....80 b.  
Indo-China D. \$.....60 n.  
Shell (Bearers) \$/-.....43/9 n.  
Waterbonts \$.....0.55 n.

**DOCKS ETC.**  
Wharves \$.....88 b.  
Docks \$.....15.10 b.  
Providents \$.....5.40 b.  
S'hai Dockyards \$.....20 1/2 b.

**Mining**  
Kallan \$/-.....11/- n.  
Rnubs \$.....8 n.  
H.K. Mines \$.....1 1/4 cts. n.

**LANDS**  
Hotels \$.....3 b.  
Lands \$.....32 b.  
Lands 4% Debentures \$.....0.7 1/2 b.  
S'hai Lands Sh. \$.....10.10 n.  
Humphreys \$.....0.40 n.  
H.K. Realities \$.....2.00 b.  
Chinese Estates \$.....x.00 b.

**UTILITIES**  
Trams \$.....10.35 b.  
Peak Trams (old) \$.....7 n.  
Peak Trams (new) \$.....3 1/4 n.  
Star Ferries \$.....51 1/2 b.  
Y. Ferries \$.....21.35 b.  
China Lights (old) \$.....5.00 b.  
China Lights (new) \$.....1 1/4 b.  
H.K. Electric (old) x rts \$ 21 1/2 b.  
H.K. Electric (new) \$.....20 1/2 sa.  
H.K. Electric Rts \$.....10 1/2/11 sa.  
Macao Electric \$.....18 1/2 b.  
Sandalan Lights \$.....12 b.  
Telephones (old) \$.....22.40 b.  
Telephones (new) \$.....9.00 b.

**INDUSTRIALS**  
Cold. Macg. (Ord.), Sh. \$.....30 n.  
Cold. Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$.....25 n.  
Canton Ices \$.....1 n.  
Cements \$.....14 b. & sa.  
H.K. Ropes \$.....7 1/2 b. & sa.

**STORES, &c.**  
Dairy Farms \$.....17 1/2 b.  
Watsons \$.....10.40 n.  
Lane Crawford \$.....0.45 n.  
Sinceres \$.....3.15 n.  
Wing On (H.K.) \$.....30 n.  
Ewo Sh. \$.....38 1/2 n.

**COTTON MILLS**  
Ewo Sh. \$.....38 1/2 n.  
S'hai Cotton Sh. \$.....205 n.

**MISC.**  
H.K. Govt. 4%.....0.7 1/2 n.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1934).....0.4 1/2 n.  
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% (1940).....0.4 n.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G\$Bds. \$.....20 n.  
Entertainments \$.....0.0 1/2 b.  
Constructions (old) \$.....1.60 n.  
Constructions (new) \$.....1.20 n.  
Vibro Piling \$.....7.20 n.  
Marmans Inv. (Lon) \$/-.....6 1/2 n.  
Marmans Inv. (H.K.) \$/-.....2 1/4 n.

## Swimming Gala

Organised by the A.N.S. and the V.A.B. a Swimming Gala will be held in the European Y.M.C.A. swimming pool on Saturday, July 12.

All interested are requested to communicate with Miss Baskett, care of the "Herald" Petroleum Company, or the Jilema May Institute before Thursday next.

The Gala is in aid of the Bomber Fund.

## Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. London	1/2 1/2
Deutsche London	1/2 1/2
T.T. Shanghai	4.40
T.T. Singapore	62 1/2
T.T. Japan	102
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 1/2
T.T. Saigon	104 1/2
T.T. France	—
T.T. Switzerland	102 1/2
T.T. Australia	4/0 1/2
BUYING	
4 m/a L/C London	1/3 1/2
4 m/a D/P London	1/3 1/2
4 m/a L/C U.S.A.	25
4 m/a France	84 1/2
30 d/a India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
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## DAMASCUS BECOMES FREE CITY

### New Order Starts

DAMASCUS, June 23 (Reuter).—The first to enter Damascus were Allied representatives. They were greeted enthusiastically.

It was some time afterwards that troops were permitted to enter. The first to go into the city were the Free French, followed closely by a famous British cavalry regiment in armoured cars and some Australians.

While the French flag was no "here to be seen on public buildings of the city, the colour borne as Free France's emblem was heartily cheered.

The Syrian Government met shortly before the surrender of the city and assumed full powers over internal affairs which hitherto had been exercised by the French.

### Amnesty Granted

They also agreed to give amnesty to all political prisoners.

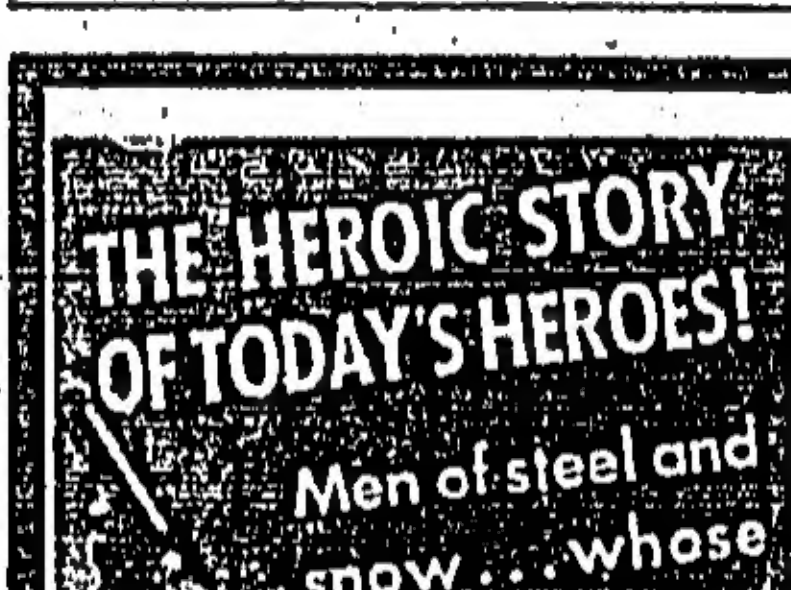
Later the Syrian Prime Minister, Khald Bey Alem, and General Legationnaire de la France met to discuss the proposed treaty, whereby Syria would become an autonomous republic.

The purpose of the Vichy French in holding out long after it was evident that the city was bound to fall was to fight a rearguard action in order to cover the retreat in the northwest.

### Vichy Men Transfer

It was believed that the forces could be able to enter Damascus only in the morning, but the unexpected presence of many Vichy tanks and 75's and also troops, which had come up from the region of Kunetra, made this impossible.

However, in a little while resistance showed signs of crumbling and during the morning, many Vichy soldiers gave themselves up as prisoners.



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The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—Yunnan, Szechuen, Kweichow, Hunan, Fukien (except Amoy and Kailang), Kwangsi, North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAILS

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th June.....July 1.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th July.....July 15.

### OUTWARD AIR MAILS

Monday, June 30  
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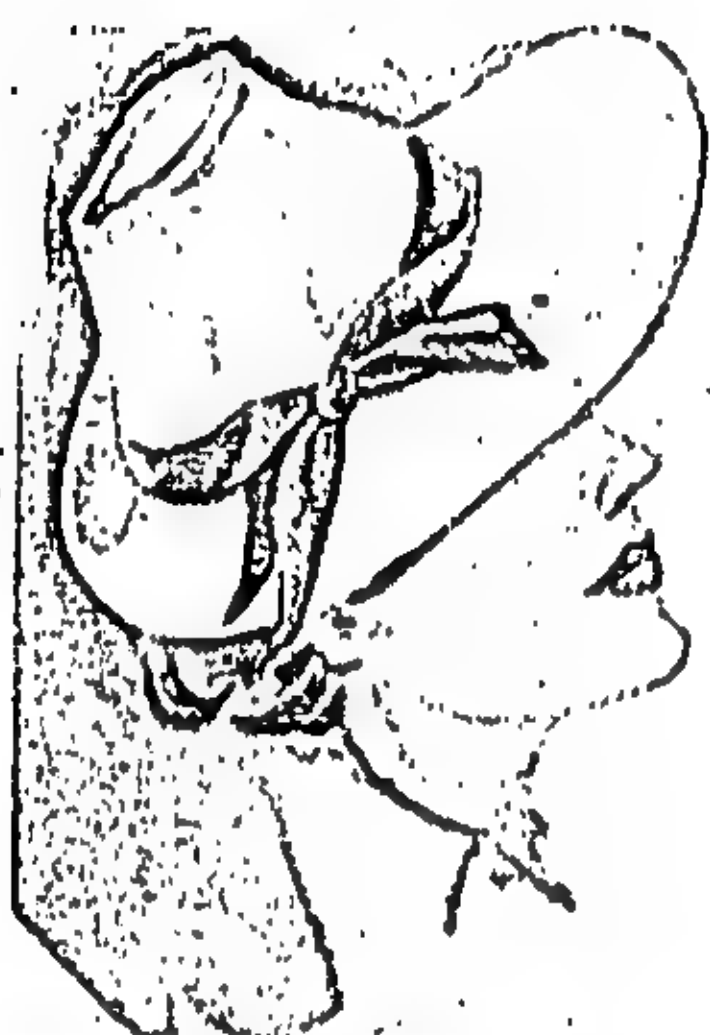
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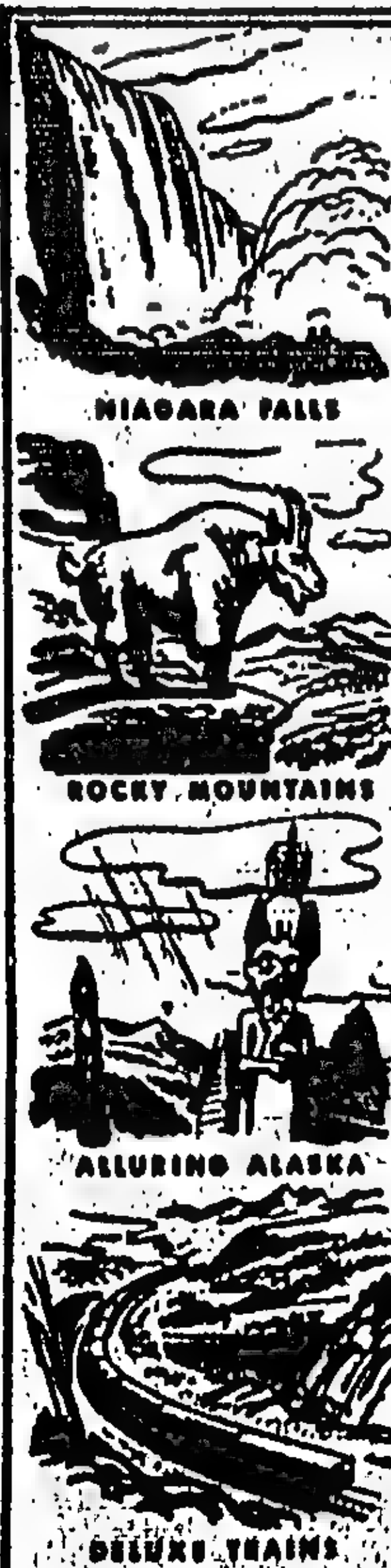
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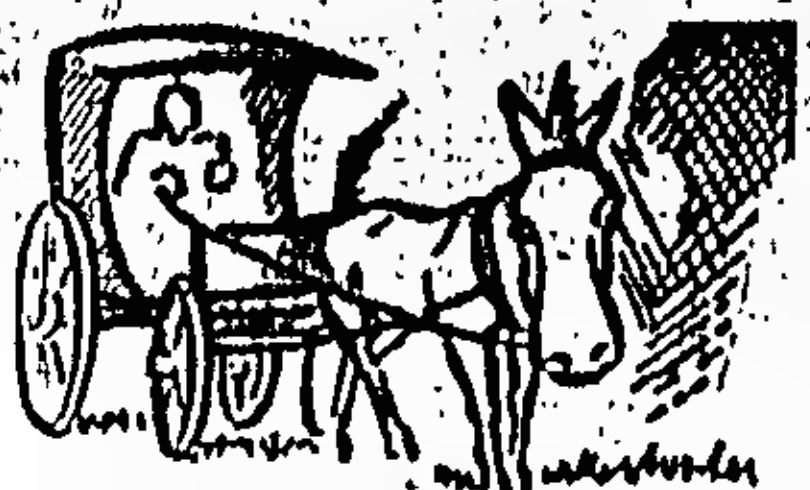
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### RUSSIA HAS HER OPPORTUNITY

IF there is one thing to be said of Nazism it is that in its unfolding it has submerged in other nations class warfare and, between nations, ideological warfare, in order to meet a foe whose creed is hideous to all. It is an immense pity that the process was not carried further much earlier in the war. The forced entry of Russia has immediately made us think of the Communists as deserving of our sympathy and help not wholly, it is true, because of altruistic motives, but certainly as a means of weakening the common enemy.

Hitler has won so many gambles that the last words one wants to hear from British lips are confident assertions that this time he has gone too far. It may be that the German leader designs to visit so sudden and sickening a destruction on the masses of Russian people that they will be compelled to sue for peace at the cost of their rich southern provinces. With oil and what fields in his possession Hitler might offer to suspend operations, keeping an eye meanwhile on preventing further Soviet rearmament, to press the offensive against his main antagonist, Britain.

The most important question of to-day seems to be: Have the Russians got the courage and spirit to go on fighting in that eventuality? Will they be deluded by another armistice and give much in order to retain the shadow of independence as Rumania did? Until they give evidence of preparing to fight to the bitter end the democratic world must suspend judgment on Russia's forced entry into the anti-Hitler camp while giving them, as Mr Churchill has promised, such assistance as we can. The new war changes the aspect of things in the Far East but in these difficult days it is not fair to impute designs or plans to the countries affected and stir up issues which may not arise. It is to be hoped that Japan will abide by her treaty of neutrality with Russia and not emulate Italy's famous stab in the back.

The next move in the Far East is Japan's and it is the

# WHY GERMANY AND RUSSIA ARE AT WAR

By ALEC GREAVES

THE inevitable has happened, and those two ill-suited bedfellows, Hitler and Stalin, have arisen in the middle of the night and made for each other's throats. Forgotten are the sweet assurances of friendship of 1939, and the Nazis appear again in their true colours. The small countries of Europe know, at grievous cost, that treaties mean nothing to Hitler; he employs them as an instrument to lull his neighbours into a false sense of security, to sap vitality, and when it suits his purpose he tears them up. Now it is Russia's turn.

Ideologically opposed to each other, the political orders of Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia could not for long sustain a friendship of convenience. Stalin seemed primarily to be keen on keeping his country out of the European quarrel, neither giving in too much to one side nor entirely alienating the other, hoping, with profound cunning, that while others exhausted themselves Russia would emerge from the ruins of battle the most potent force in both European and Asiatic affairs.

### Aid To Nazis

To this end, he has since 1939 bowed to innumerable German demands. He lent the Germans rolling stock; he supplied them with wheat, fish and other commodities; oil was also supplied in limited quantities. The aid given was perhaps not as immense as that which the United States is rendering to Britain, but it was of sufficient proportions to lead observers to ask whether or no Russia had a secret alliance with Germany.

What has caused this sudden breakdown? Why does Stalin choose this moment to cease appeasing the Nazi appetite? And what are Germany's demands that Stalin's refusal to comply should induce Hitler to attack his erstwhile "friend?"

Millions of words have poured from the presses of the world on this vital question, but reports contradict one another. It is possible to gather reliable information neither in Germany nor Russia, for a cast-iron system of censorship prevents true, objective news from

reaching the outside world, and honest newspapermen bent on their proper duty are regarded as little better than spies. Nor do official statements help. Hence, it is only from appreciation of one development after another, and their places in a general plan, that it is at all possible to account for an event.

### Russia Encircled

Thus, looking at the Russo-German situation, one fact stands out clearly. Russia is completely encircled. The Nazis command the Dardanelles, the Soviet outlet from the Black Sea. They command the Skagerrak and the Kattegat, Russia's outlet from the Baltic. On the Pacific side, Russia can emerge from Vladivostok only by Japan's leave. On the north she is ice-bound and, on the south, she is land-locked.

Little is known regarding the recently-concluded pact between the Nazis and the Turks, and its true significance cannot be determined at this stage, but, considering that Turkey had previously collaborated with the Soviet in Middle East policies the announcement that the pact

was aimed at the Soviet, and the fact that the Russians were not informed of the negotiation, must have come as a tragic blow to Stalin.

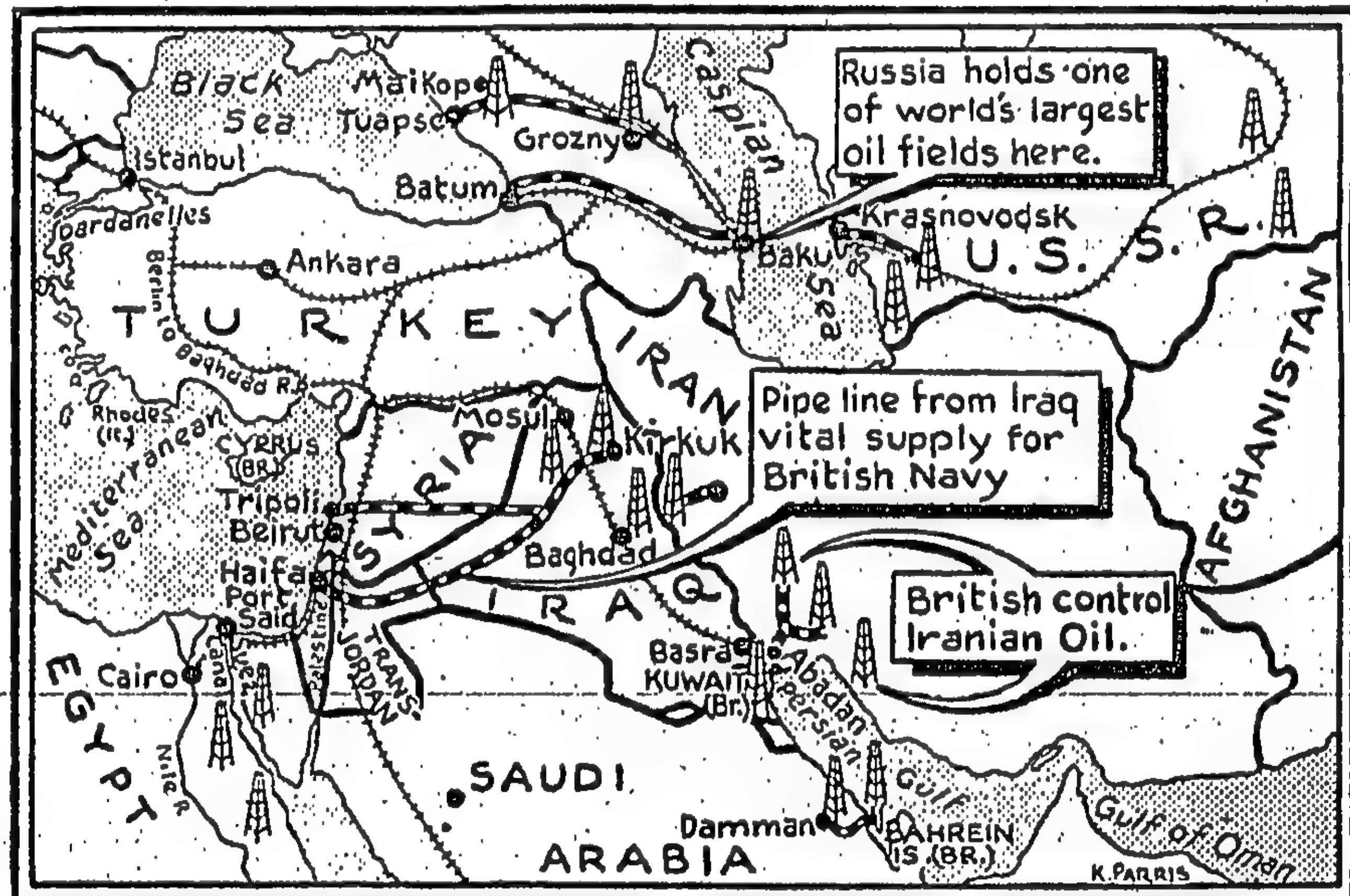
Stalin sees a Nazi-dominated Europe in which his country will suffer declining influence owing to her isolation, and he knows also that within Russia's borders are vast stores of material wealth which the Nazis naturally covet. In fact, in such newly-annexed Soviet regions as Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania and Bessarabia, some measure of discontent has been fostered by Nazi agents, while the Germans have also been at work among non-Russian peoples in the Caucasus. That is the thin end of the Nazi wedge.

### Quest For Oil

Another fact is also clear. Hitler needs oil, and this important product, without which his vast machine of war will come to a full stop, is to be found in Russia's Caucasian fields, Iran and Iraq.

In order to gain possession of the oil, Hitler had to decide on one of several methods open to

The rich oil areas which Hitler covets.



OF all the public men who are shouldering the present responsibilities of the nation, my sympathy goes out first to Mr Ernest Bevin.

Poor Mr Bevin—the first man in British history to be faced with the task of conscripting millions of women. Not only has he to deal with the practical aspects of the problem, such as enrolment, classification, and welfare.

He must go deeper. He must go right back to fundamental principles, and try to decide between the claims of family and country.

### FINGERPOSTS

No good to argue that, since a nation is nothing but a huge unwieldy family, the two things are one and the same. Like many another

great opportunity of this war for her to make that move one which will take her from the shadow of suspicion in which she has so long lingered. An extension of war in the Far East is not one of the happiest contingencies that the democracies desire to face just now—but they would not shrink from meeting it.

## WOMEN AT THE CROSS-ROADS

Third of an occasional series of articles: WOMEN IN WARTIME

By Nina Warner Hooke

logical deduction, this is women who have chosen theoretically sound, but this course we owe eternal thanks like a sieve in actual gratitude and admiration.

Every young married woman who feels a patriotic desire to enlist for national service knows quite well that she stands at a junction of two roads.

The fingers of the signpost point in opposite directions, and they might well be labelled PRESENT and FUTURE.

It does not matter that, in the long run, both roads converge upon the same point. She is faced with the immediate necessity of making a difficult choice.

Work for the nation means work for present. It is a sweeping aside of all ambitions and personal inclinations, all ties of tradition and affection, in an effort to meet the general emergency. It is magnificent—and to the many thousands of our war aim is to make the

him. He could blackmail Stalin into providing him with Russian oil without sending a single soldier into the field. If that failed, he had to choose one of three ways—to crash through the combined armed might of Russia and Turkey, or fight one of these two countries alone.

As events have proved, Stalin for the first time since 1939 stiffened towards German demands. Soviet officials have not been unaware that industrialisation, and mechanisation of the Red Army, make Russia dependent upon oil. They have sought by every conceivable means to develop their oil resources, and more recently, side by side with the new military programme, a scheme for conserving as much oil as possible for potential military use was adopted. It was impossible for Stalin to accede to Hitler's demand, considering the situation all round.

Of the remaining alternatives for Hitler, bullying of Russia was immeasurably the most appealing. Hitler possibly did not dream that Stalin was prepared to resist a demand for transit facilities for his army to Iran once the Turks were neutralised. Also, by refraining from any act of hostility towards Turkey, Hitler hopes that Moslem feeling will not be aroused against him.

Stalin has seen the writing on the wall and has decided to act. To have submitted tractably to the Nazis would have been to acknowledge Hitler as his country's master. For he would be losing the oil which propels the Red Army and air force; he would be losing the vast wheat production of the Ukraine which feeds the millions of Russians; and he would be losing also his sole remaining chance of securing a warm-water outlet to the sea, a route through Iran to the Indian Ocean.

The rich oil areas which Hitler covets.



world a better place for the citizens of to-morrow, we must acknowledge their right to be born.

### LOYALTIES

Now take the young girl who is to-day contemplating marriage. She is faced with the same conflicting loyalties.

She wants to respond to Mr Bevin's call—yet at the same time she feels that she could be of equal value to her country in the role of wife and mother.

Since criticism is of little use unless it attempts to be constructive, I suggest that she should not be asked to tackle such a problem.

Instead, perhaps, Mr Bevin should begin at the other end of the ladder by first conscripting women of thirty-eight to forty. As workers, such women would prove far superior to their juniors in age.

### NATURE'S WAY

It is, I think, a statistical fact that more children are born during wartime than in peace. In this way Nature seeks to redress the balance. But up to now her arrangements have not been actively interfered with.

That is to say, however, widespread the field of war, women have been left comparatively free to fulfil their basic purpose of propagation. Will their gradual absorption into the ranks lead to a fall, instead of a compensatory rise, in the birth rate? Meanwhile, there stands our young wife at the junction of the children of to-day are the citizens of to-morrow? And if bombers, or produce babies? How should she decide?



# Pacific Shipping Situation Affected By Ship Withdrawal

NEW YORK, May 12.—A serious shipping situation has been caused in the Far Eastern trade by the increased sinking of ships and the withdrawal of European vessels from the Pacific according to a report published in the Far Eastern Survey by the American Council, Institute of Pacific Relations. American, Japanese, Scandinavian and Dutch merchant ships are finding it impossible to replace the losses.

It is estimated that over 60 per cent. of British overseas shipping operations to and from China had been withdrawn by the end of last year. No British ships are reported to be running between America and the Orient, and many vessels have been removed from the American-Australian run.

Although American shipping in the Pacific area has increased substantially, the gap left by the British has not yet been filled. The net tonnage of vessels clearing American ports for the Far East increased 61 per cent. from August, 1939 to January, 1941, reports the Survey. American tonnage for Australia and New Zealand during the same time increased 130 per cent. British-American negotiations to store 250 million pounds of Australian wool in the United States as an emergency reserve stimulated American shipping to the Antipodes the Survey points out.

## Additions Planned

Despite the establishment of a Division of Emergency Shipping and an ambitious building programme, additions to American tonnage are still insufficient. In April priorities were put on cargo moving from the Netherlands Indies to the United States, when 60 per cent. of the available shipping space was reserved for tin and rubber. Priorities on bauxite and manganese ore were also instituted.

A spectacular proposal that may cause a bottleneck in the trans-continental railroad system if adopted, reports the Survey, is the routing of cargo from the Orient to the Pacific Coast overland rather than through the Panama Canal. This it is pointed out, would parallel the Japanese shift of raw silk to trans-continental rail lines. This change and the possible requisitioning of the inter-coastal fleet for overseas service might overburden the railroad, the Survey reports. The postmaster general, Ralph Budd, Defence Advisory Commission transportation chief, that they are adequate to handle all the business they receive.

## Japanese Measures

The inability of Japan to fill the demands of Pacific trade and to satisfy her own military needs has led to drastic control measures, the Survey reports. The postponement of docking for repairs has been protested by Japanese insurance companies and shipowners. Compulsory overloading is another step contemplated.

Since June 1939, when Japan's shipbuilding programme bogged down, no official figures have been published, but it is estimated that less than 400,000 tons are against 455,000 tons for 1937 and 1938, were turned out in 1939. The cost of a medium-sized vessel has increased almost four times since the outbreak of the China affair. It now takes a year and three quarters to build a large-sized ship that formerly required only 10 months. Japanese shipyards are on a priority system for materials and are reported to be obtaining only a half of the steel they have requested. The worst effects of the pinch are being experienced by the countries which lack an appreciable shipping of their own.

Normally accommodating less than 6 per cent. of her own shipments.

## Philippines Affected

The Philippines began building up a merchant marine two years ago but has not achieved any substantial degree of independence, and in 1940 carried only 1.7 per cent. of her own commerce. The shipping shortage may prove disastrous to Philippine sugar economy. It has already resulted in increased rates on sugar from Manila to United States Atlantic ports and in a decline in the price of Philippine sugar. It is estimated that 230,000 tons out of the Philippines' duty free quota of 850,000 long tons may be unable to find transportation.

The tonnage of vessels entering and clearing Chinese ports decreased 15 per cent. in 1940. The withdrawal of foreign tonnage and the inability of Japan to take care of business relinquished, according to the Far Eastern Survey, have greatly increased the gravity of China's situation.

## BIG SALARIES IN AMERICA

### Mayer Tops List

WASHINGTON.—Louis B. Mayer kept top ranking as highest paid executive in the United States last year, receiving \$697,048, as managing director of production for Loew's Inc., motion-picture company.

This was brought out in a study of dozens of annual reports filed by large corporations with the Securities Commission.

The second highest was Eugene C. Grace with \$478,114 as president of Bethlehem Steel Corporation. George W. Hill received \$450,415 as president of the American Tobacco Co. Behind the top three in salaries or other remuneration came Hunt Stromberg, who got \$332,207 as supervisor of production for Loew's, and Nicholas M. Schenck, who was paid \$318,881 as president.

### \$200,000 List

The \$200,000 bracket included: W. C. Fields, \$255,000 and Deanna (Edna Mae) Durbin, \$209,833, both paid by Universal Pictures Company, Inc.; Paul M. Hahn and Vincent Price, \$251,840 each as vice-presidents of American Tobacco Company; Harry F. Sinclair, \$200,030 as executive committee chairman of Consolidated Oil Company; Walter S. Gifford, \$210,150, as president of American Telephone & Telegraph Company; Ernest T. Weir, \$245,400 as chairman; Robert C. Stanley, \$25,350, as president of International Nickel Company of Canada Ltd.

## Richest Man's Income Is Now Cut to £30,000

Wish you were a millionaire, do you? Like Sir John Ellerman and Lord Nuffield, Lady Louis Mountbatten, and Miss Dorothy Paget. I have found out what being a millionaire means in "spending money," says a "Daily Express" reporter.

Britain's millionaires were numbered officially a few years ago at 1,024, and they were said then to be increasing.

Qualification for the "millionaire" class is generally accepted as a gross income of £30,000 a year or more. But the richest of the rich—thirty-one-year-old Sir John Ellerman—has an income of about a million a year.

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## Pressure On Foochow

### Chinese Renew Attack

SHUIKOW, June 23 (Central News).—Chinese troops in the past few days have launched repeated attacks on the Japanese in Foochow and there has been considerable fighting in the immediate outskirts of the city.

More than 500 casualties have been inflicted on the Japanese in Foochow during the fighting in the past three weeks.

**South of Pengtseh**  
SOUTH ANHWEI, June 23 (Central News).—Under the cover of an aerial bombardment, a Japanese detachment in eastern Kiangsi on June 20 launched an attack on Chinese positions at Tapingkwan, south of Pengtseh.

## Ordination Of The Rev. D. M. Paton

The Rev. David Macdonald Paton, one of a distinguished missionary family, was ordained priest at St John's Cathedral this morning.

The service began when the Rt. Rev. Bishop R. O. Hall and the clergy proceeded to their places in the Cathedral at 8 a.m. A hymn was then sung. Clergy present were the Rev. H. D. Rosenhall, Vicar of Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach, Acting Vicar of St Andrew's, Kowloon, the Rev. John Y. L. Chung, Rector of St Stephens and Diocesan Secretary, the Rev. E. W. L. Martin, Senior Missionary of the Church Missionary Society, the Rev. Frank Short, the Rev. Lee Kuan-yun, Vicar of St Mary's, Causeway Bay, the Rev. H. L. O. Davis, Chaplain to His Majesty's Forces, Deaconess J. L. Vincent, the Rev. Pastor K. Reichelt of the Tao Fung Shan Christian Institute and Rector of the Lutheran Church in Hongkong, the Rev. Pastor Thelle and the Rev. A. P. Rose, Chaplain in charge of St John's Cathedral.

Present also was Miss E. S. Atkins, Secretary of the Church Missionary Society.

### Presented For Priesthood

The candidate was presented for priesthood by the Rev. Martin and the Rev. Chung.

The Rev. Mr. Paton is lent by the Diocese to the Chinese Y.M.C.A. for four years and is now going to Sha Ping Pa, near Chungking, to work amongst the University students in that area.

## Malaya's Huge Contribution To Relief Funds

LONDON, June 23 (British Wireless).—The Malaya Patriotic Fund has sent a further £25,000 to London for distribution to four organizations. The fund has also sent direct to Malta £5,000 for the Malta Air Raid Relief Fund.

In addition, the Johore Women's Section of the Malaya Patriotic Fund has sent £300 for the Queen's Messengers Service.

This brings the total sum remitted by the Malaya Patriotic Fund to over £310,000.

### Major Baseball

## Only Two Matches Scheduled

NEW YORK, June 23. (UP).—Only two games were scheduled in the Major Baseball League today, these being in the National circuit.

Scores were:  
Brooklyn Battery: Pittsburgh Pirates 2-1.  
Owen, Frank; 4-1-2.  
Pittsburgh Battery: Cincinnati Reds 4-1-2.  
New York Battery: St. Louis Cardinals 0-3-0.  
Chicago Battery: Philadelphia Phillies 4-1-0.  
Chicago Battery: St. Louis Cardinals 4-1-0.

## Gelling and Wallington Win Pairs Match

ONE MATCH in the Open Pairs bowls Championship was played last night at the Police Recreation Club, J. H. Gelling and H. G. Wallington, beating C. E. Langley and L. A. Jordan 22-14.

## Car Knocks Down Lamp Standard

Lieut. H. Davis of 71, Kimberley Road, was driving a car shortly after midnight last night along Chatham Road, and when nearing Mody Road ran into a lamp standard which was smashed in two while the car was badly damaged.

Lieut. Davis received cuts to the face and was taken to the Kowloon Hospital. He was allowed to proceed home after treatment.



U. S. SEIZES NAZIS—Here are some of the 175 Nazi sailors rounded up by U. S. agents in New York and other cities. In New York alone 127 were seized. Above, they're about to be taken to Ellis Island for temporary keeping.

## CHINESE VIEWS ON WAR SPREAD

CHUNGKING, June 23 (Reuter).—Chinese sympathy for Soviet Russia and confidence in an ultimate Soviet victory was expressed by the Chinese official "Central Daily News" in the leading article this morning.

"From the point of view of both ideological and material interests," declares the paper, "a conflict between Germany and Soviet Russia was inevitable, but the outbreak of hostilities coming so soon is somewhat a surprise. Germany and Soviet Russia possess the largest armies in the world. The principles of their Governments were fundamentally at variance."

"This war will be quite different from Germany's wars against Poland, France and Greece. We firmly believe that international disputes should be settled and adjusted by proper diplomatic channels and, peaceful procedure. Any settlement by force, even if successful, cannot be a satisfactory and permanent solution."

Germany, continues the journal, must bear the responsibility for the war, since she undertook the invasion of Soviet Russia.

**Sympathies With Soviet**  
"Our sympathy goes to the Soviet Union and we are confident that its ultimate victory will be the Soviet's." The paper, referring to the Axis Alliance states, "to understand the significance of the Tripartite Pact we must draw attention to the aims of the Anti-Comintern Pact. The powers of Germany, Italy and Japan have always considered the four democracies—China, Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia—as their common enemies."

Other signatories of the Pact will probably clarify their attitude shortly in support of Germany. Since the Axis powers form a united front against the Democracies, concludes the paper, it is time for Soviet Russia to join the democracies, giving particular attention to the Axis partner in the Far East.

## Finns Try To Explain

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Conflicting reports in regard to the position of Finland in the Russo-German struggle—lent additional interest to the fact that M. Grippner, the Finnish Minister in London, visited Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, at the Foreign Office to-day, presumably to explain his country's attitude.

**Country Calm**  
STOCKHOLM, June 23 (Reuter).—Finland is calm, say Helsingfors correspondents of "Swedish newspapers."

The correspondent of "Allehanda" describes the smoothness of the evacuation of women and children from the Finnish capital where there is still no black-out ordered.

**Protest Lodged**  
LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Protest against the bombing of Finnish objectives by Soviet planes was made to the Soviet Minister when he visited the Finnish Foreign Minister to-day, says the Finnish radio.

## WOMAN TIED TO STAIRCASE

WASHINGTON, June 23 (UP).—Police to-day broke into a house and freed Mrs. Chew Lai Ping Lee, 30, who was tied to a balustrade, just in time to allow her to give birth to a baby girl, her tenth child. Her husband, Park Lin Lee, laundryman, told the police that he did not know who had tied her up. She is in serious condition.

## ITALIANS IN AMERICA

WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—All necessary steps to prevent any Italian nationals from leaving the United States pending further instructions have been ordered.

The Department of Justice announces that it has issued instructions to this effect to Immigration and Border Patrol officers.

This action duplicates the steps taken against the Germans on June 18.

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# NANCY



## Girl's Ring Caused Envy In School

A HEADMASTER'S decision that girls should not wear jewelry in school "because it caused envy in the minds of other children and turned their minds from the path of education" resulted in a father being fined 10s. at Sheffield for not sending his nine-year-old daughter to school.

Harold Webster, radio dealer of Stocksbridge, near Sheffield, gave his daughter the signet ring that caused all the trouble.

Mr. G. R. Billington, prosecuting, said a teacher saw the girl wearing the ring, and it was placed on the teacher's desk.

Next day the father went to the school, demanded the ring, and put it back on the girl's finger.

Afterwards he did not send her to school.

The headmaster, Mr. John Weaver, said: "I discourage jewellery in school because it causes envy in the minds of other children and turns their minds from the path of true education."

### "Bangle Wrangle"

"The case recalls the Somerset 'Bangle Wrangle' which lasted from 1925 to 1930.

Violet Burton, daughter of a West Coker dairy farmer, was made to take off a silver bangle in school, so her parents kept her from school for three years.

In 1930, after Violet had attended school normally for two years, her bangle, and her determination to wear it, resulted in an inquiry attended by the headmistress, the school managers, and members of the county education committee. Then the matter dropped.

## Hun Prison Camp Fare Awful

TORONTO, May 9.—Pte. George Thompson of Toronto, in letters received here to-day by relatives, described his escape from a German prison camp in France and his return to England by way of Gibraltar.

"The food they gave us in that German camp was awful," he wrote to his sister, Mrs. R. J. Duggan, and his fiancée, Miss Doris Cox. "All we had for breakfast was a cup of black coffee, without sugar or milk. It looked and tasted like coal dust screenings. For dinner we got boiled unseasoned rice, and for supper boiled lentils."

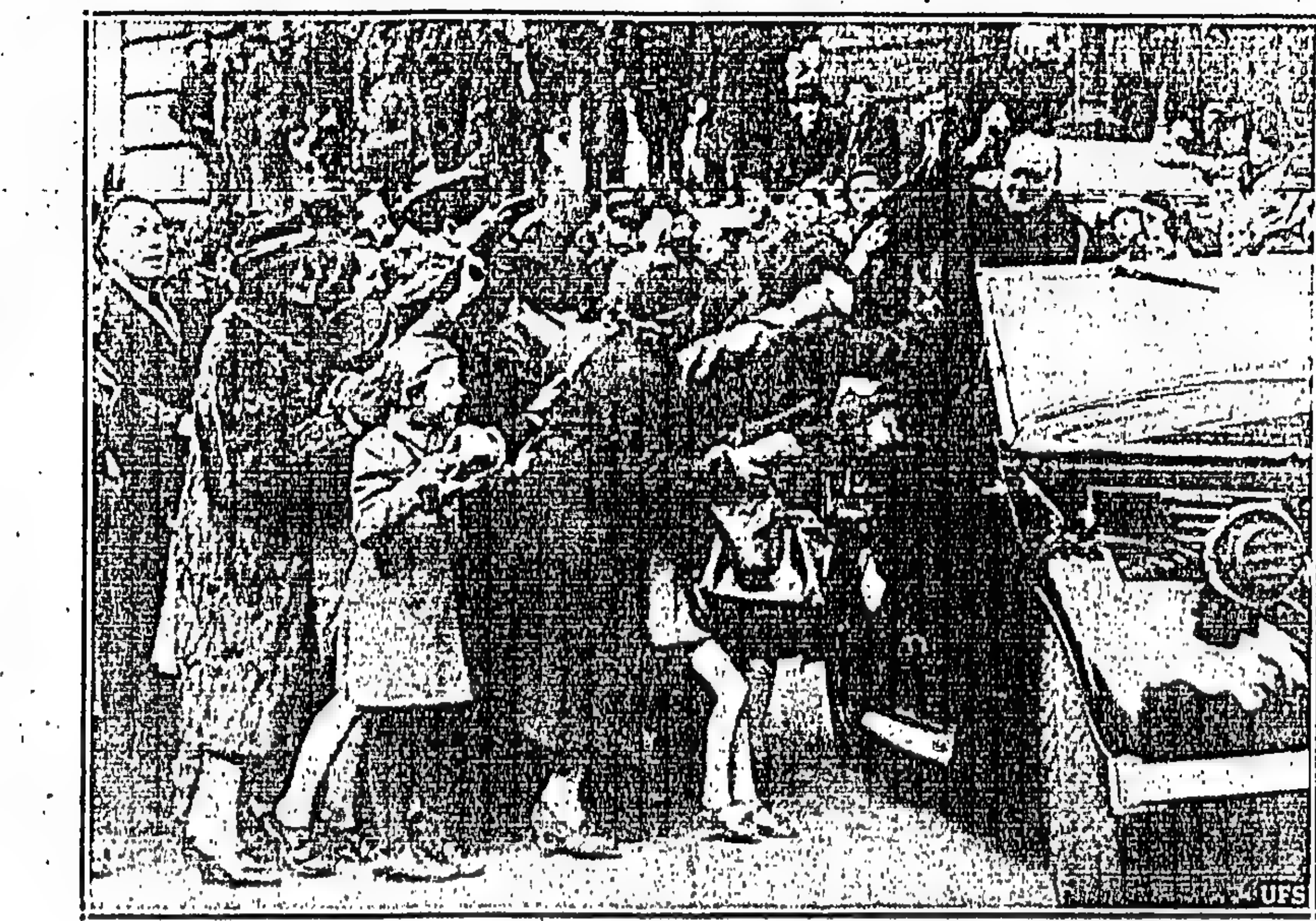
For the first 10 days after he was made a prisoner on July 9, he wrote, all they had to eat was biscuits and water.

## Heavily Armed U. S. Plane

WASHINGTON.—The Army, it was disclosed recently, has completed tests of a new plane, which is the most heavily armed of any American fighter craft yet produced.

The ship, designated the XP39C, is an improved model of the Bell P-39. What conclusions were reached from the tests were not announced.

The plane, which is being turned out at Buffalo, N. Y., for both the Army Air Corps and the Royal Air Force, is powered by an Allison liquid-cooled motor more powerful than that used in the original P-39. It is "virtually the same in external appearance," the War Department said.



WELCOME!—Citizens of Liverpool, England, that has been frequent target for Hitler's airmen, swoop forward to welcome Prime Minister Churchill, on visit to important manufacturing city. Note he waves navy cap instead of his usual iron hat.

## War Holds No Terrors For British Nudists

Britain's biggest nudist camp at Green Hills, Hertfordshire, has faced the fact that modern war is war in the air—and now trades stare for stare with Royal Air Force pilots who conduct low-altitude reconnaissance flights over the camp.

"They seem to be over the camp a great deal," said the proprietor, his black beard streaming in the cold May wind, "but I expect they'll get used to us as we're getting used to them."

**Firewatching Too Cold**

At first the nudists, who sprang from the green sward within the woodland camp, thought of hot-footing it for the bushes whenever inquisitive flyers swooped over.

"But everything in life being relative," the proprietor philosophized, "we adjusted ourselves. Nowadays, we just look up at them as they look down at us."

It didn't take the R.A.F. patrols long to spot the 10-acre park dedicated to the absorption of sunshine and fresh air in the altogether.

"If these pilots are as good at locating their targets across the water as they were in finding us, they will serve their country nobly," the proprietor said.

The proprietor's wife explained that the nudists do not shun their responsibilities during air raids. "The nights are too cold now," of course, for fire-watching in the nude, she said, "but on summer nights we'll be out with only our tin hats on."

## Plan Military Hospital In Brisbane

THE Minister for the Interior, Senator H. S. Foll, said that he had approved the construction of a new general military hospital in Brisbane at a cost of A£234,000.

A contract for the excavation work has already been let. When the hospital is completed there will be, in addition to ward blocks, an administration building, medical officers' and nurses' quarters, V.A.D. quarters, and a guardhouse.

## Television Given Public Showing

NEW YORK, May 10.—America's contribution to the development of large screen television for the theatre was given its first public demonstration to 1,200 invited guests recently. Images were projected to a 15-by-20-foot size.

The demonstration, conducted by the Radio Corporation of America, was designed to show laboratory progress since previous tests with smaller screens. Projection is accomplished with a high brightness reflecting tube which operates on 75,000 volts and has a special optical system. Connection to the transmitting source was by cable, but the system has worked as well in pickups off the air.

Results obtained were regarded by observers as the best they had seen to date. Brilliance did not equal that of a movie, but it was sufficient for satisfactory viewing.

## Attempt To Revive Dead Man Fails

An unsuccessful attempt to revive a murderer who had been executed in an electric chair was described to Massachusetts Medical Society by Dr. William Brickley.

The attempt was made to determine whether a new heart and brain machine could establish the fact of death.

Dr. Brickley said he worked on the body for 70 minutes, immediately after electrocution.

He used adrenalin, manual massage, and the Faradic electrical current for heart stimulation, but the murderer was "dead beyond recall."

## Part of U. S. Still at War

BERLIN, May 12.—The German press has discovered that "part of America" is formally at war with Germany.

The Tuscarora Indian tribe, of New York State, part of the Iroquois group, formally declared war on Germany in 1917 as "independent people," the press said, because they didn't consider themselves included in the United States' declaration of war.

But the Tuscaroras "never offered to smoke the peace pipe with a German representative" during peace negotiations and hence still are at war, the press said.

BEAMSVILLE, Ontario, May 9 (AP).—The Beamsville Town Council has ordered books by Charles A. Lindbergh removed from Public Library shelves. Similar action was taken by the Guelph Council recently.

## Huge Button Order For The Army

The clothing of Kitchener's Army in 1914 was seriously delayed by a shortage of buttons. Buttons are a problem in this war, too for the Quartermaster-General's department was suddenly called on to provide 24,000,000 of them.

This was revealed in an interview by Lt.-Gen. Sir Wilfred Lindsell, who is in charge of the Administration of the Home Forces.

Gen. Lindsell said his task was to supply everything that the Army wanted, from women's underwear for the A.T.S. to 15in. guns, or from a surgical needle to a heavy tank.

### Tremendous Tonnage

"The tonnage to be handled is tremendous," he said. "Whether a soldier is in Libya or elsewhere he requires one-third of a ton of supplies per month."

"In this country there can be no stabilised front. We have therefore to be prepared to fight a war in our own lines, and there is no part of these islands which can be regarded as immune.

"Inevitably, therefore, in the event of attempted invasion, every priority would have to be given to the movement of men and munitions."

Gen. Lindsell pointed out that the Army was at present using only two-thirds of the amount of petrol consumed by private motor-cars in Britain.

## Confusion Over "Billion"

Sir Percy Hurd recently asked the Prime Minister whether he was aware of the confusion arising from the differences of meaning of the word "billion" on the two sides of the Atlantic, and whether, in view of our new economic intimacy, he would confer with the Governments of the U.S.A. and Canada so as to obtain uniformity in the matter.

Mr. Churchill replied that the word "billion" was true, had different or alternative meanings in different or alternative meanings in negotiations. For all practical official purposes one billion represented £1,000,000,000, "especially in the case of anything we owe." (Laughter.)

[In Great Britain a billion means a million millions; in the United States 1,000 millions.]

# AMERICANS WANT BRITISH ART

The Lease and Lend Act has had an unexpected echo in the world of art. The closer association of the two democracies has led to Great Britain's private collections of works of art being scoured by the picture dealers to gratify the increasing interest of American collectors.

They are asking chiefly for portraits by front rank English and Scottish painters of the late 18th and early 19th century and for landscapes by English painters of a hundred years ago.

Two Scottish portrait painters come high among the "wanted" list. Sir James Watson, of Glasgow, whose portraits have for many years commanded a higher price than is generally realised, probably heads it. Almost as popular, and more rare, is the work of another great Scottish portrait painter, Alexander Nasmyth (1758-1840).

Connoisseurs in the United States are ranging beyond the names of the more famous English portrait painters, John Downman, the Devon artist, and John Singleton Copley, who was born in Massachusetts but later worked in England, are of high value to-day.

### London Scenes

So are the English landscapes by John W. Wilson and Samuel Scott's records of Jacobean and Georgian London.

Good contemporary work of historic London buildings is also much sought after to record the metropolis as it was in the days immediately before the destroyers swooped upon it.

An odd aspect of the new American demand for English work is that it has completely ousted the pre-war popularity in the States for Dutch interiors, seascapes, pastoral and skating scenes.

## CHICK-SEXERS ARE EXEMPT

Chick-sexers have been exempted in Australia from military duty, because of their value to the poultry industry, says a Sydney report.

Mr. E. D. Evans, of Dundas, official teacher of chick-sexing to the Department of Agriculture disclosed this recently.

There are 23 certified chick-sexers in New South Wales, four of them women.

"If there were any fewer chick-sexers poultry farmers' expenses would be doubled," said Mr. Evans. "Instead of being able to buy 1,000 sexed chickens, they would have to buy 2,000 day-old chicks to get the 1,000 pullets."

"Usually chicks are 50 per cent. cockerels and 50 per cent. pullets. They would have to pay for the thousand unwanted chicks, and feed and house them."

Mr. Evans, who can sex 700 to 800 chicks an hour, is paid a half-penny a chick.

## UNITS BANNED IN BANNS

When a soldier and his bride-to-be put up the banns, they may unwittingly give information to the enemy, says the War Office. The Registrar-General has therefore ordered that a soldier's unit must no longer be recorded, and that only the name of the town in which he is stationed should be given, as his address.

## Land Girls Join For War Work

A record number of recruits have joined the Women's Land Army since the announcement that women were to be registered for war work. Applications for enrolment have risen to between 400 and 500 a week. Recruits must agree to go wherever they are sent.

"A good type of recruit is joining," an official said. "Girls who have just left school or university, domestic servants, factory girls and shop assistants, especially from areas where the population has diminished through evacuation, are all seeking work on farms."

A few weeks ago there was a long list of farmers waiting for land girls. To-day trained volunteers can be supplied at short notice.

### Many Volunteer

There are more than 10,000 W.L.A. volunteers in permanent employment in farming, market gardening and forestry, and well over 1,000 in reserve. Thousands more women between 18 and 40 will have to be employed.

The need now is for farmers, faced with more and more work through the extension of tillage and with the call-up of 10,000 men after next harvest, to look ahead and notify their requirements well in advance, so that a flow of recruits can be maintained.

## FARMERS LOSE LAND War Measures

Hundreds of farmers who have been given notice to quit "for the duration and three years" by county war agricultural committees will in effect be completely dispossessed of their land.

Mr. A. G. Mobbs, of Culliton Broad, Suffolk, a prominent member of the National Farmers' Union executive, said that the position was causing grave alarm.

The war agricultural committees are empowered to eject any farmer whose land they consider not to be cultivated in such a way as to ensure maximum food production. In Suffolk alone 81 farmers, farming 5,534 acres, have been displaced. Usually, the farm is handed over to the committee to another farmer "for the duration and three years."

What is alarming the National Farmers' Union is that the displaced farmer remains liable for the cost of restoring the farm, including repairs to farm buildings, and for other charges such as tithe.

"Most farmers will never be able to go back to their own farms," Mr. Mobbs said. "They could not possibly meet the charges which will have mounted up."

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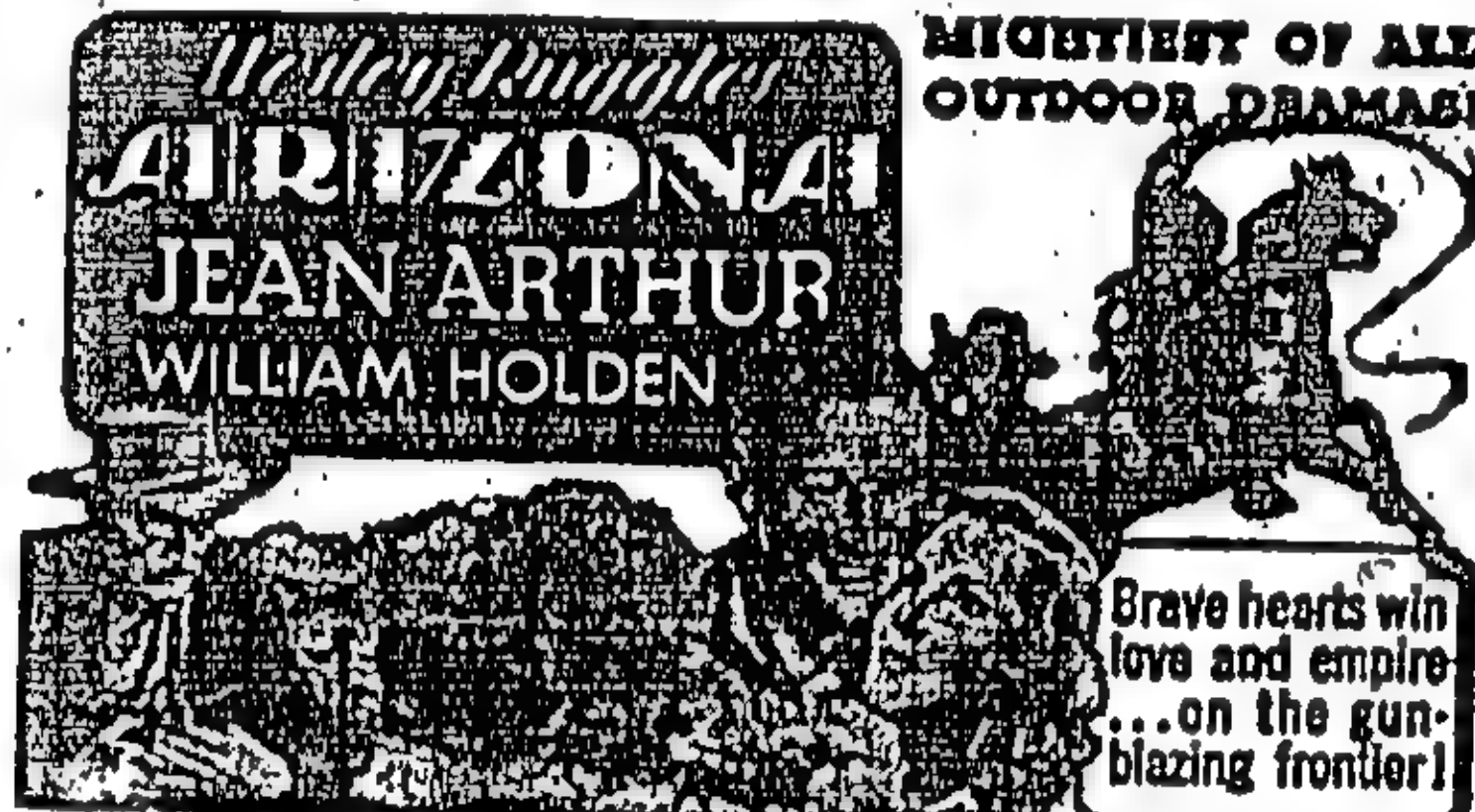
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## RUBBER NEEDS OF AMERICA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, June 23 (UP).—All United States rubber purchases in the Far East will be handled exclusively by the official Rubber Reserve Company as from to-day for the purpose of "accelerating the accumulation of the Government reserve supply and to facilitate the distribution for defence and commercial requirements."

The British and Netherlands Governments will co-operate in the programme.  
Existing contracts are not affected. The announcement followed the publication of earlier restrictions. The purpose of the order is to conserve the supply for defence uses. The United States for many months has been storing emergency stocks of raw rubber from the Far East but there were increasing indications that the stocks were not accumulating as fast as was advisable. Some observers are of the opinion that the new arrangements are also intended to facilitate rubber shipments across the Pacific in Government vessels which otherwise might return empty to the United States after transporting supplies for the British armies in the Middle East.

## U.S. Condemns Nazis Attack

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any doubt with what intent the present Government of Germany negotiates non-aggression pacts. The attack on Russia constitutes a "dire warning by Germany of the hostile and murderous intent behind such assurances."

Mr. Welles revealed that the Russian Ambassador, Mr. Gromyko, had conferred with the United States Government about freezing Soviet assets, but the Assistant Secretary indicated that no decision had yet been reached.

"Hitler's armies are to-day the chief dangers of the Americas," declared Mr. Welles.  
He continued: "In the opinion of this Government consequently, any defence against Hitlerism, any rallying of forces opposing Hitlerism from whatever sources these forces may be, will eventuate the downfall of the present German Government and will, therefore, redound to the benefit of our own defence and security."

"No further proof could conceivably be required of the real purpose and projects of the present leaders of Germany for world domination. It is now furnished by Hitler's treacherous attack upon Soviet Russia."

"The German leaders' sworn engagements to refrain from hostile acts against other countries are but a symbol of deceit. To the present German Government, the very meaning of the word 'honour' is unknown."

## Religious Freedom

Declaring that both the Nazi and Soviet Governments denied their peoples religious freedom, Mr. Welles continued: "To the people of the United States, this and other principles and doctrines of the Communist dictatorship are as intolerable and as alien to their own beliefs as are the principles and doctrines of Nazi dictatorship. Neither kind of imposed overlordship can or will have any support or any way in the mode of life or in the system of government of the American people, but the immediate issue that presents itself to the people of the United States is whether the plan for universal conquest, for the cruel enslavement of all peoples and for the ultimate destruction of the remaining free democracies which Hitlerism is now desperately trying to carry out, will be successfully halted and defeated."

## Present Issue

"That is the present issue which faces a realistic America. It is an issue at this moment which most directly involves our own national defence and the security of the New World in which we live."

## Japan Disillusioned Over Axis Partners

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warned of this development by Hitler before he went to Moscow.

## Impartial Tokyo

TOKYO, June 23 (Reuter).—The Soviet-German deal is spangled all over this morning's newspapers and also monopolised the editorials. Extreme caution is the keynote of the sparse references to Japan with a complete absence of any speculation regarding the attitude of the Government.

The Japanese High Command had a conference with key members of the Cabinet this afternoon.

The Press attitude towards the new belligerents seems nearly impartial with speculation on the ultimate outcome left a big question mark.

The ex-Ambassador to Moscow, Mr. Togo, says that the capture of Leningrad, Moscow and the Ukraine will not decide the issue, while Colonel Akita, ex-Attache to Berlin, confidently predicts in "Hochi" a German victory by autumn. He draws a moral from the new war—"We are taught how unreliable are modern treaties and all we can depend on is our own nation."

LONDON.—There are 242 police horses regularly on duty in the British capital. Police officials say they are no more harried by guns and bombs than they are by cheering crowds or brass bands.



ITALIANS LEFT THEM—Pile of Italian shells left behind by troops retreating in Eritrea, in face of British drive through Red Sea colony. Britain now has completely wrested country from Italians.

## Government To Consult Parents

## Tremendous Armed Clashes Anticipated

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BEFORE girls under 20 are pressed to take work in munition factories away from home, their parents are to be consulted.

This is indicated by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, in a reply to Mr. Dingle Foot, M.P. for Dundee. "The main questions to be considered," says the Minister, "would be whether the employment was suitable and whether it was reasonable to ask the girls to take employment at a distance."

He adds that the same considerations do not apply to employment of well-recognised peace-time standards.

Even in such cases he thinks it reasonable that the girls' parents should be approached for their advice.

## No Rice At Weddings

The age-old custom of showering rice over brides and grooms is now outlawed in Great Britain. Rice-throwing is an offence now under Defence Regulations.

The Home Office is experimenting with a wristlet broadcasting contrivance to help locate persons buried beneath bomb wreckage.

A Home Office inspector was mystified when pupils at an approved school asked that a red-covered hymnal be used at the school. Later she learned the students were rubbing off the colouring and using it as rouge.

## Author Of "Battle Of Britain"

The author of the very successful Stationery Office success, "The Battle of Britain" is Mr. Hillary St George Saunders.

Mr. Saunders is a fair-haired, not very tall, well-built man of about 43. With Mr. John Palmer, who used to be the "Evening Standard" dramatic critic, he has produced several novels. The latest of these was a thriller on the fall of France, called "Eleven Were Brave." The "Eleven" were the French Ministers who voted at Bordeaux, in a Cabinet of 24, for France to go on fighting.

Mr. Saunders had been at the British Embassy in Paris as liaison officer to the French Ministry of Information. He escaped by way of Bordeaux in a boat which was bombed but not hit.

## LUFTWAFFE THRASHED AGAIN

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other big raid on the northwest France area. Exceedingly strong formations of bombers and fighters crossed the Channel from one part of the southwest coast early this afternoon, and shortly afterwards there were explosions from the direction of the area between Calais and Boulogne, seemingly some distance inland.

The raiders penetrated a heavy barrage which was heard on the English side of the Channel.

The main squadrons returned later, flying in perfect formation almost as a single unit, keeping the same course as on the outgoing trip. No German fighters were seen attacking the returning planes although earlier, cannon fire was heard over the Channel.

Throughout the operations, strong formations of British fighters patrolled the Straits of Dover.

## Raid On Reich

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique states, "Bremer and Wilhelmshaven were the main objectives of an attack on northwest Germany last night. At Wilhelmshaven, particularly large fires were started. Among other targets attacked during the night were Emden, Bremerhaven and Rostock. One enemy fighter was shot down and three British bombers are missing."

## Non-Stop Raid

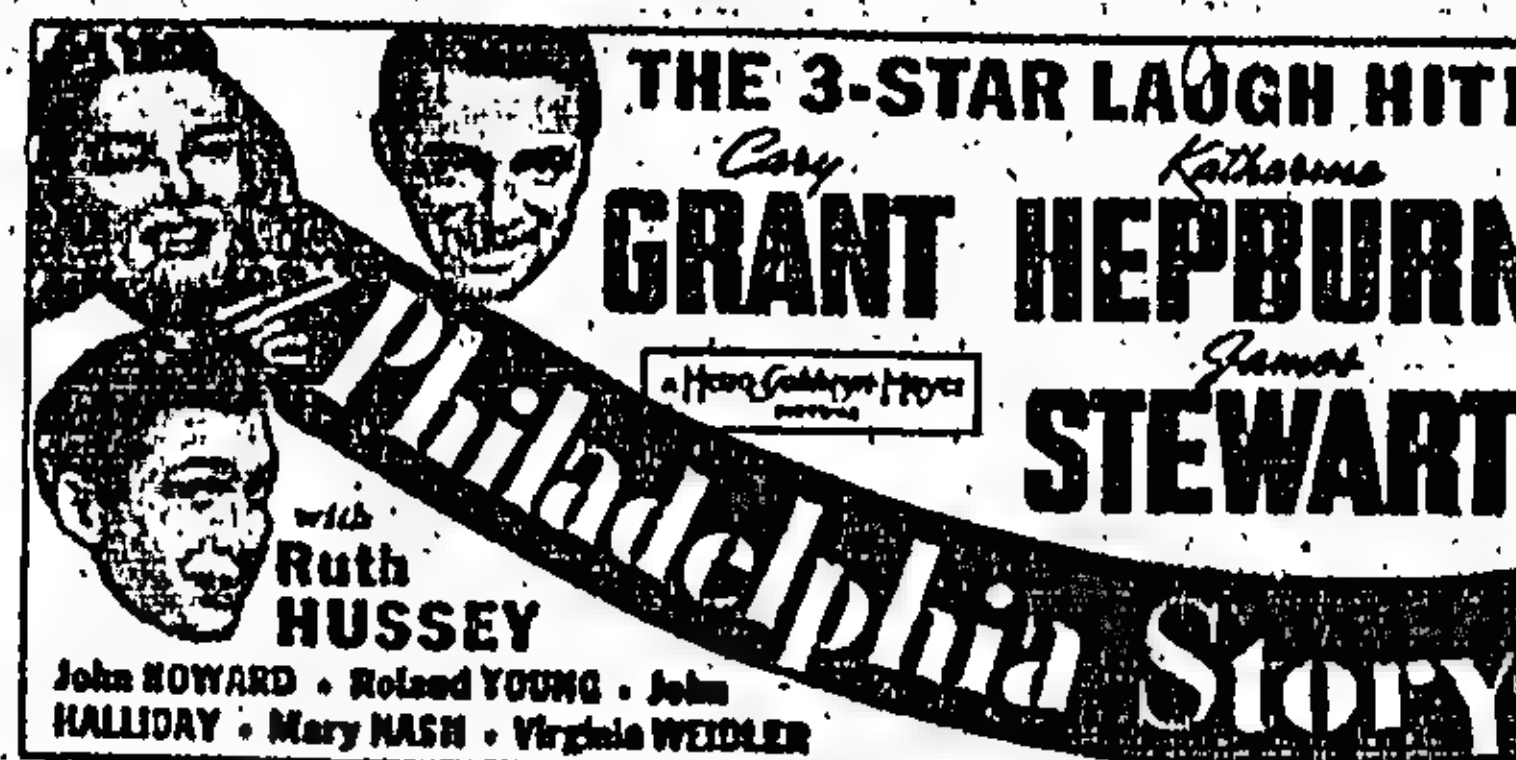
FOLKESTONE, June 23 (UP).—The R.A.F. carried out a non-stop raid on the invasion ports for over two and a half hours this afternoon. Most of the activity appeared to be around Calais and farther away in a direct line from that city.

Observers heard the steady roar of bombs bursting beyond the bank of mist which is hanging over the Straits of Dover.

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**The Ukraine's Capital**

Here is a twilight picture of Kiev, capital of the Ukraine, which is likely to become a key position in the joint Nazi-Rumanian drive against the Russian territory. Kiev has already suffered air raids.



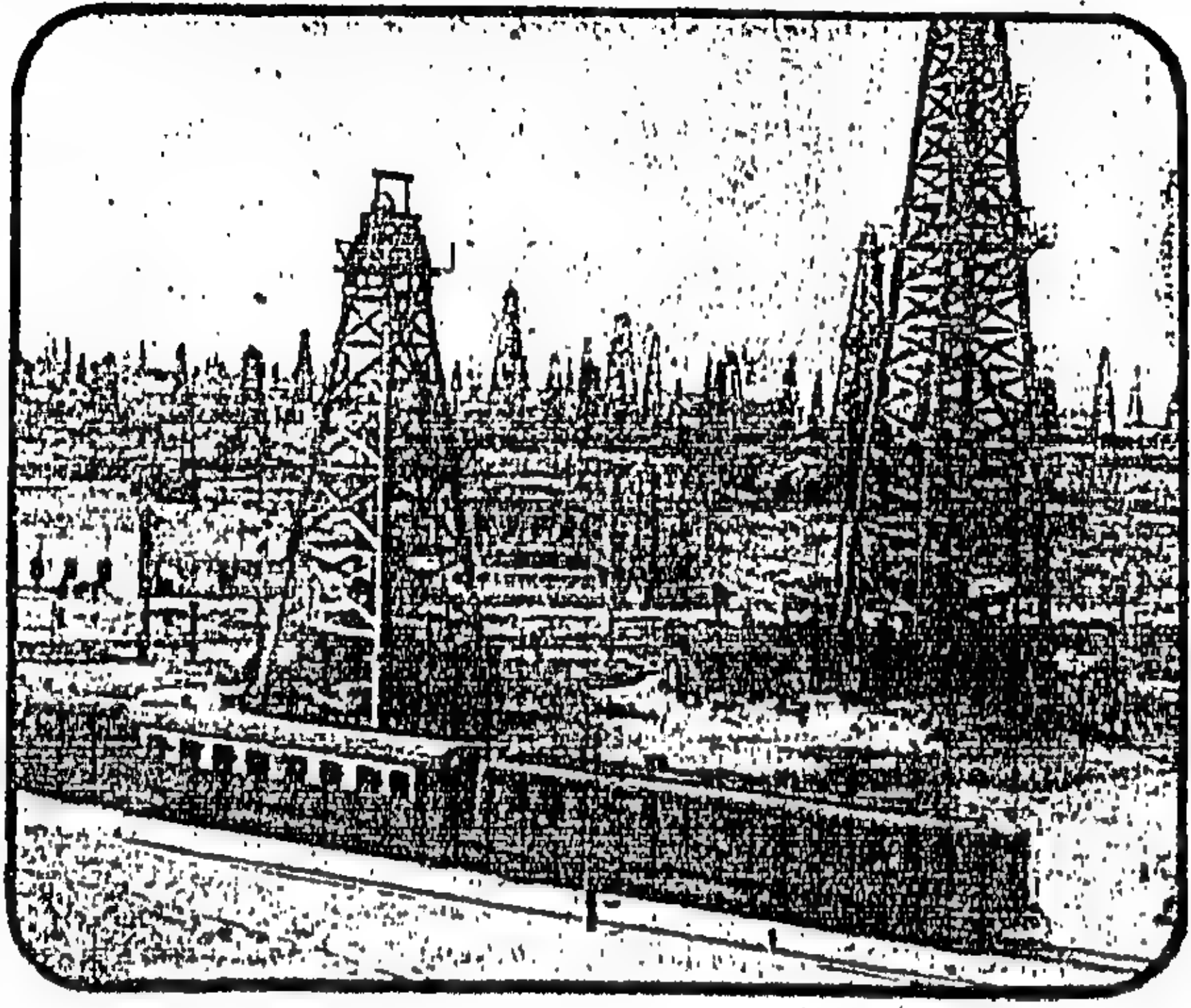
# RUSSIANS DECLARE GERMAN OFFENSIVE IS TURNED BACK

**One Of The Nazis' Latest Objectives**

## Counter-Attacks Drive Nazis Beyond Frontier

Special to the "Telegraph"

MOSCOW, June 23 (UP). — TO-DAY'S SOVIET COMMUNIQUE STATES THAT DURING THE DAY, THE ENEMY STROVE TO DEVELOP AN OFFENSIVE ALONG THE WHOLE FRONT FROM THE BALTIC TO THE BLACK SEA, DIRECTING THEIR MAIN EFFORT IN THE SHAULAI, KAUNAI, GORDONVOLKOVSK, KOBRIN, VLADIMIR VOLYNSK, BRODY AND RAVARUSSAKA DIRECTIONS, BUT MET WITH NO SUCCESS.



Electrified train passing through the Baku oilfields.

## LUFTWAFFE THRASHED AGAIN: LOSE ANOTHER 18 PLANES

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The R.A.F. gave speedy action to Mr Churchill's promise to Russia of fierce day and night bombing of Germany within a few hours of the Prime Minister's speech on Sunday night. Twice to-day at least, bombers, accompanied by large numbers of fighters, swept over Northern France and while their escorts were shooting down 18 German fighters, they attacked—once again—the important industrial plant near Bethune and other targets.

The objectives of the offensive sweep in the evening have not so far been disclosed, but experienced listeners on the English coast were inclined to believe that heavy attacks were being made on the Germans' advanced aerodromes.

Two bombers are missing. Eleven German fighters were shot down.

**Little Opposition**

By contrast, very little opposition was met in the sweep of the day and night fighter pilots, particularly the Poles, were glad on their return over the disintegration of the enemy to fight. Several German planes were shot down on this occasion for the loss of two British fighters.

On Sunday night, northwest German ports, chiefly Bremen and Wilhelmshaven, were hammered.

**Big Channel Sweeps**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

FOLKESTONE, June 23 (UP).—The R.A.F. again carried out another TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## Spain Pleased With Anti-Red Campaign

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Senor Ximenez de Sandoval, Madrid's Foreign Office spokesman, this afternoon made the first official Spanish comment on the Russo-German war.

He told a Press conference, "I can express to you the satisfaction with which the Spanish Government—the final interpreter of the feelings of the people—have received the news of war against Soviet Russia, the common enemy of all, and against whom the war of liberation of Spain was one of the most determined noble and heroic struggles."

Asked about rumours concerning Spanish volunteers to fight against the U.S.S.R., the spokesman said, "I am not authorised to reply, but I can say that without doubt it is the desire of many thousands of Spaniards."

The German Ambassador in Madrid, von Stohrer, yesterday had a long conference with General Franco after informing Senor Suncer about Germany's action against Russia.

To-day Sr Suncer received the Italian Ambassador and the Japanese Minister. He will see the Turkish Minister to-morrow.

## Murder In Shanghai's Fleet St

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, June 24 (UP).—Late last night the police identified a murdered Chinese as Lee Tsen-ying, 40, advertising manager of the "Tamel Wan Pao" which is the Chinese edition of the Shanghai "Evening Post-Mercure."

Mr Lee who was on Wang Ching-well's black list, is reported to have lived in his office for nearly one year and seldom ventured on the street on account of his fear of assassination. However, during the past month, he resumed his practice of walking home.

A lone gunman shot Mr Lee once fatally, as he strolled along the French Bund near Avenue Edouard VII. Shanghai's newspaper row.

Deceased was once closely associated with the late Samuel Chang, Director of the Post-Mercure who was assassinated in the spring of 1940.

## Muscovites Cheered By Resistance

MOSCOW, June 23 (Reuter).—Flushed by the first war communique issued by the Soviet High Command declaring that the maximum penetration of the enemy is only nine miles, Muscovites have gone to work to-day in high spirits.

The effect of last night's mobilisation order was seen to-day when approaches to the main railway stations were crowded with parents and wives seeing off sons and husbands. Many of these parents are former peasants who found work in rapidly-expanding Moscow and whose sons are now tank-drivers, machine-gunners and pilots.

Many of these scenes were tearful as Russians are emotional, but there is no doubt of the peoples' conviction of the strength of the Red Army and the Red Air Force.

News of Mr Churchill's broadcast quickly spread and has done much to prevent any impression that this is a general assault on the Communist state but simply an action against Nazi aggression.

During June 22 and 23 Soviet troops took prisoner about 5,000 German officers and men. According to more precise data, during June 22 altogether 76 enemy planes were brought down instead of 65 as mentioned in the previous communique.

**The German Version**

A Berlin message from "United Press" says that the D.N.B. asserts that German panzer divisions and the Luftwaffe, operating simultaneously, are rolling back the Russian frontier troops in a typical blitzkrieg offensive, with destroyer plane formations far ahead of the Nazi troops, damaging Russian airfields, railways and highways, and breaking up the Red army tank and artillery columns in a manner resembling the early stages of the Nazi offensive in Poland.

It is claimed that the suddenness of the offensive has caught the Russians unprepared.

German reporters described the secrecy with which the German advance guards brought highly camouflaged spearhead divisions within several hundred yards of the Russian lines last Saturday. In readiness for launching their surprise offensive.

A terrific artillery barrage was started, said to be exceeding any TURN to Back Page, Column 3

## Great Battle For Eastern Syria

By RALPH HEINZEN  
Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, June 23 (UP).—A battle was fought to-day at the oasis of Palmyra in the heart of the Syrian desert, 90 miles east of Homs and 120 miles northeast of Damascus, for the possession of the whole eastern half of Syria.

## LITHUANIA PROCLAIMS FREEDOM

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, June 23 (UP).—Well informed circles claimed that a radio broadcast from Lithuania at 10.25 a.m. to-day, Swedish time, proclaimed that Lithuania is now a free and independent State.

Press reports published in the "Afton Bladet," originating in Berlin, inferred that the Baltic revolt against the Soviets now embraces the three Baltic States and is assuming sizable proportions with about 150,000 insurgents already in full struggle with the Russian troops.

Lithuania, which became an independent state after the Great War, was voted into the U.S.S.R. last year after Soviet troops had occupied the country, charging a violation of a mutual assistance pact. Elections were held and a Communist dominated Parliament was chosen. The new Parliament proclaimed Lithuania a Soviet Socialist Republic and asked for incorporation into the U.S.S.R., which was granted by the Supreme Soviet.

Latvia and Estonia were also incorporated into the U.S.S.R. last year.

Dr Harrison, of 12 Empress Lodge, Mody Road, has reported that between 1 a.m. and 9 a.m. yesterday somebody entered his residence and took away a watch valued at \$25.

The British motorised columns which had completed the difficult trek across 100 miles of desert from Iraq, deployed their tanks and motorised infantry around the oasis and began the battle for possession of the French airfield and fort.

General Dempsey reported in tonight's dispatches that the two columns had established contact with the French post. The advance of the columns had been co-ordinated so that they reached the east and south edges of the oasis together. Each column carried all the water, food, gasoline and munitions the men needed for the whole campaign. Military experts admit it is one of TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## LATEST NAZI GUNS IN ACTION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

FOLKESTONE, June 24 (UP).—German long-range guns, apparently in the vicinity of Boulogne, opened up at 12.45 a.m. to-day after which British planes proceeded across the Straits and there were several heavy explosions in the vicinity of the guns.

The firing continued at intervals of every few minutes for nearly half an hour. After the shooting had ceased, observers on the Kent coast heard a terrific burst of anti-aircraft fire and the thud of heavy explosions as the R.A.F. were apparently raining their new powerful bombs on the gun positions.

## King Remembers Malta's Courage

MALTA, June 23 (Reuter).—The King has paid a tribute to Malta's "unflinching gallantry and resolution."

Replying in a telegram to the Governor of Malta's birthday greetings, the Secretary of State for the Colonies says, "His Majesty thanks you for your message, and desires me to say that his thoughts are constantly with his loyal subjects in Malta in the severe ordeal which they are facing with such unflinching gallantry and resolution."

## BOMBER FUND DONATION

A donation of \$200 to the Bomber Fund has been received from Messrs Li and Fung Ltd.

## Japan Disillusioned Over Axis Partners

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, June 23 (UP).—Senator Elbert Thomas of Utah, the foreign relations specialist, and often times Administration spokesman, in an interview with the "United Press" to-day stated that the chief question raised by the Russo-German war is Japan's reaction.

"Japan will now need her great statesmanship to determine the wisest course in the face of this gigantic development," he declared. "I think that Japan must now be disillusioned with her attachment to the Axis, and sees that she has been making friends with the wrong nations."

Senator Thomas, speaking as a former friend of Japan, and as one who had lived a long time in that country said, "I think that Japan will see the mistake she has been making in aligning herself with the Nazis, especially if Mr. Matsuoaka was TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## Portuguese Vessel Torpedoed

LISBON, June 23 (Reuter).—The torpedoing of the Portuguese merchant ship Ganda, reported yesterday, when 20 survivors out of a total of 10 passengers and 50 crew were landed in Lisbon, has excited public opinion here.

The Ganda, it is stated, was carrying goods only between Portugal and her West African colonies as she always does.

"There could be no doubt about her Portuguese markings," says one newspaper. "The Government will certainly not fail to use every effort to clear up what took place and we confidently expect the nation to protest indignantly against this wicked attack."

## New Raid On Alexandria

ALEXANDRIA, June 23 (Reuter).—Twenty persons were killed and 60 injured in an air raid on Alexandria early this morning, says a Ministry of the Interior communique. Some damage was done.

**The Casualties**

CAIRO, June 23 (UP).—The Egyptian Minister of the Interior announced that "during an air raid on Alexandria early this morning, during the course of which bombs were dropped, 20 were killed and about 60 injured. There was some property damage."

## Survivor of Command In Crete Tells His Story

LONDON, June 23 (British Wireless).—Brigadier Inglis, one of the New Zealand commanders in Crete now in England, has given an account of the Crete operation.

He explained that the bulk of the defenders of the island had been evacuated there from Greece. Many of them were non-combatants and unarmed, and therefore, were unable adequately to contribute to the defence of the island.

It had been impossible to evacuate them to Egypt for the same reason that it was impossible to make good the losses in equipment of the troops evacuated from Greece to Crete, namely, the overwhelming difficulties imposed on shipping by control of the air by the enemy.

Further, the ports and beaches in Crete had been heavily dive-bombed for some time before the actual invasion of the island took place.

**Aerial Circus**

Describing the first day of the invasion, Brigadier Inglis said that a terrific circus of aircraft of all types came in from the north. They carried on for hours heavy bombing and machine-gunning. Then parachutists were dropped. At Heraklion, these mostly fell among our troops and were soon dealt with and in a short TURN to Back Page, Column 3

## Soviets Admit Loss Of Brest Litovsk

NEW YORK, June 23 (Reuter).—The Soviet Government admits the loss of Brest Litovsk, famous town in Russian-occupied Poland, where the Russo-German peace treaty of the last war was signed.

This was revealed in a Moscow message broadcast by the National Broadcasting Company.

## Palmyra Occupied

CAIRO, June 23 (UP).—It is unofficially but reliably announced that British troops have occupied Palmyra.

## Hungary Breaks Off Relations

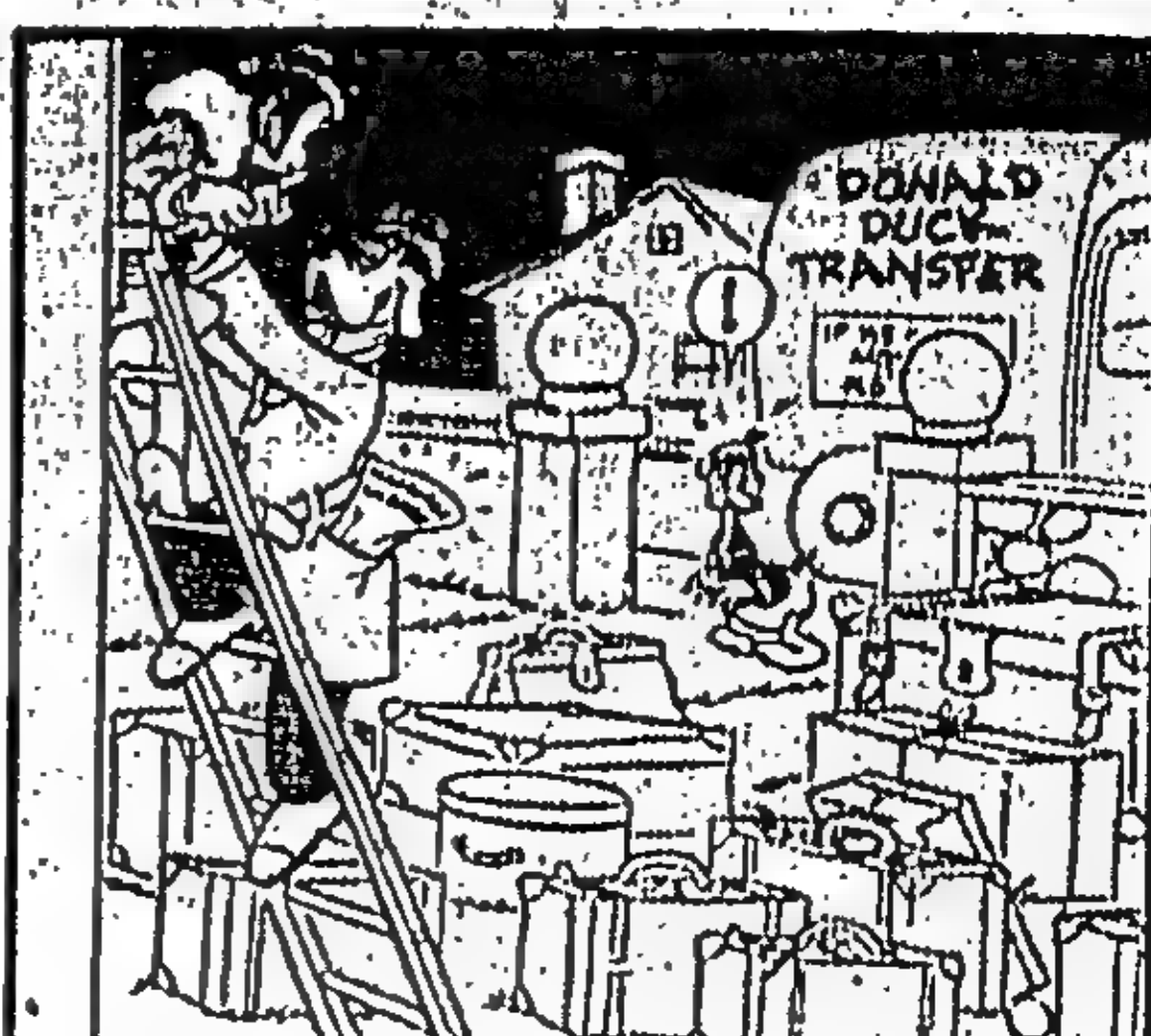
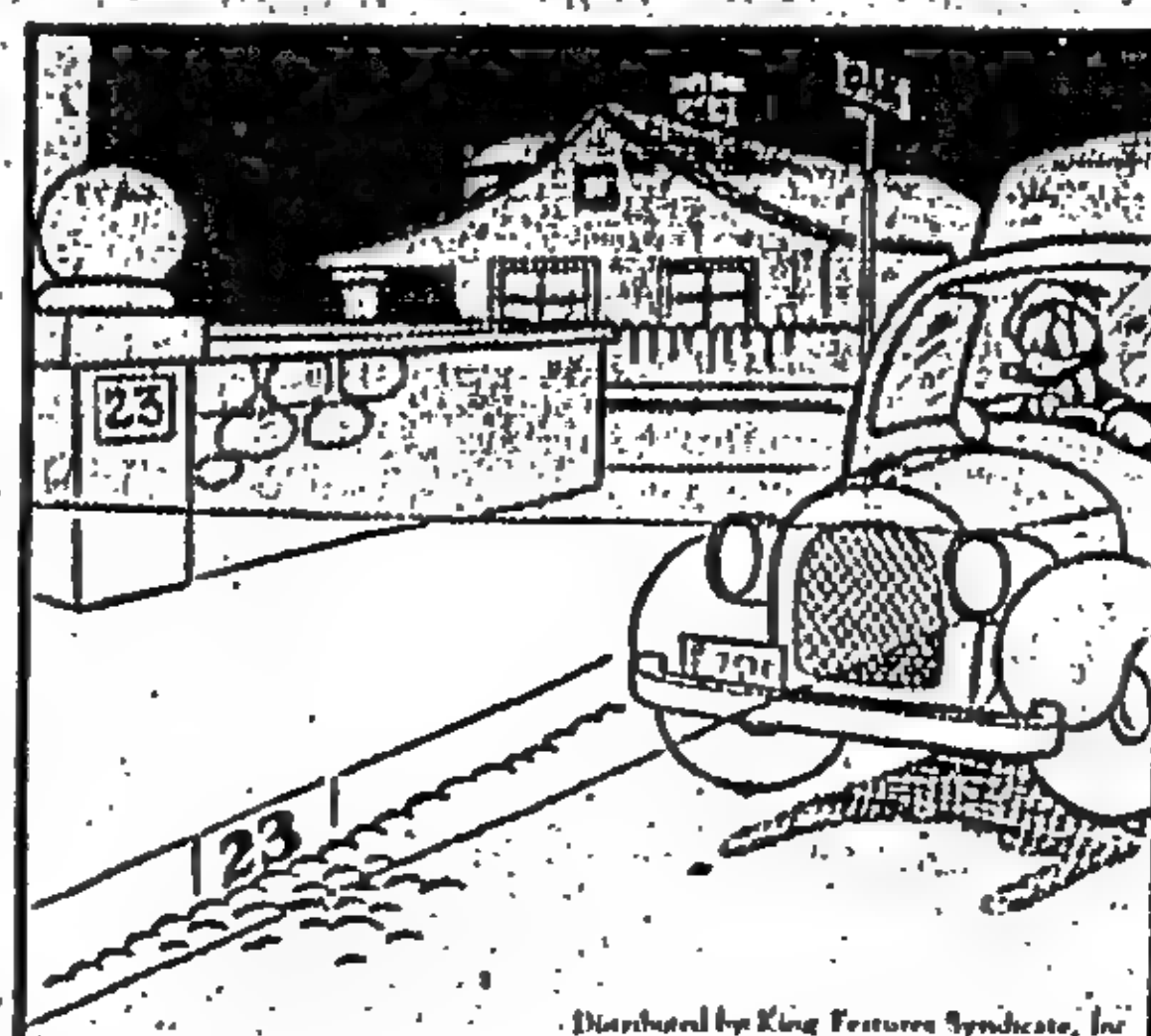
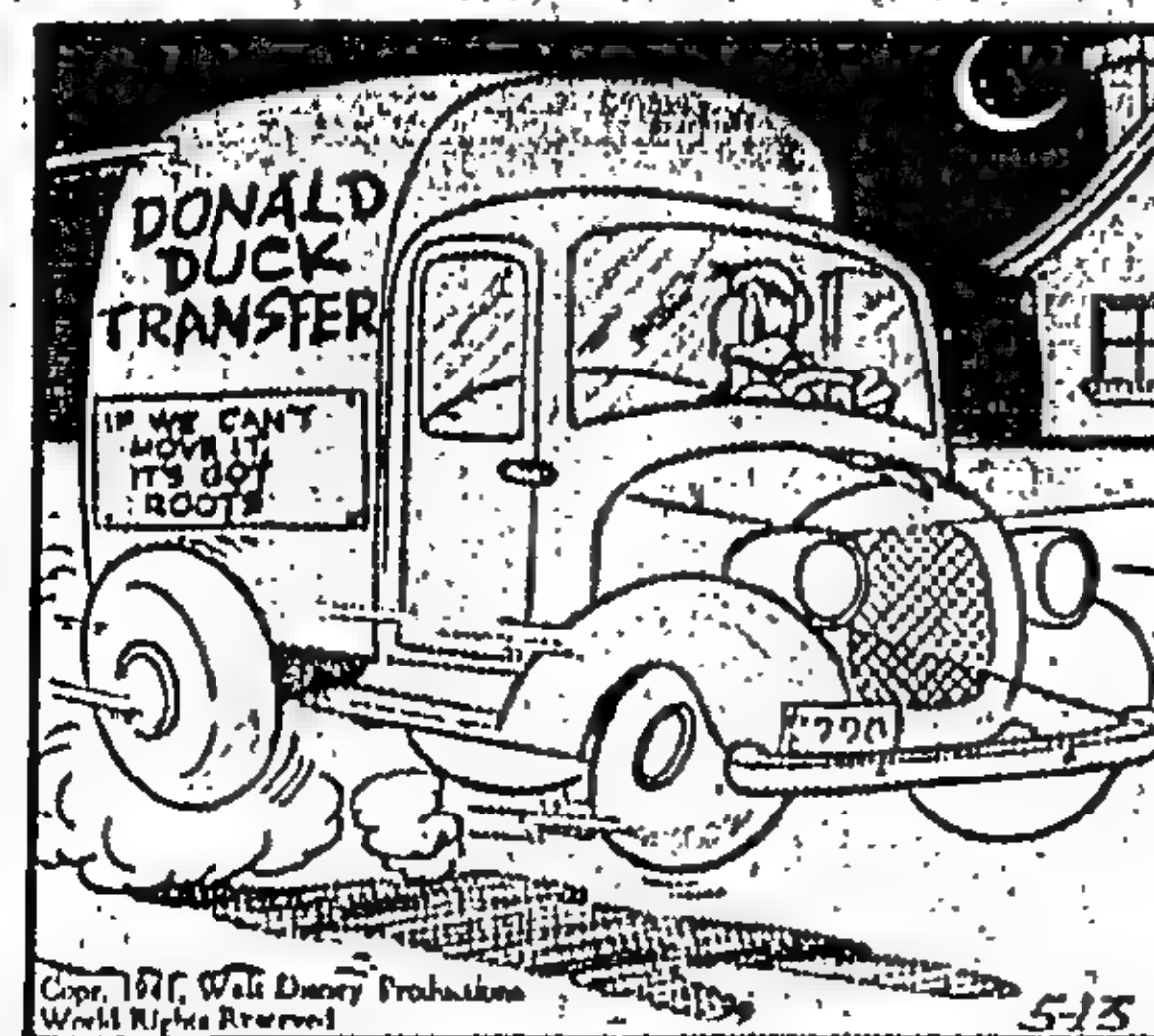
BUDAPEST, June 23 (UP).—It is officially announced that Hungary has broken off diplomatic relations with Russia.







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## CONTRACT BRIDGE

How to Play  
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By JOSEPHINE GIBBERSON

Right Suit but Wrong Card

AVERAGE players have a warm affection for their honour cards—so warm indeed that they refuse to part with them except on trick winners. When driven to it, they will lead away from these cards, but the thought of actually laying them down, to be smothered by higher adverse honours, seems to be repugnant to them. Note to-day's deal:

Match-point duplicate.  
East dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ 4 8 5  
♥ K 8 2  
♦ 8  
♣ K Q J 3 2

♠ K Q  
♥ A J 10  
♦ K Q J 7  
♣ 10 7 6

♠ A 10 9 4 3 2  
♥ 7 5 4  
♦ A 8 4  
♣ 8

The bidding:  
East South West North  
1 1 2 2  
2 NT 3 Pass Pass  
Dbl. Pass Pass Pass

East's double was aggressive, but not bad at match-point duplicate. East felt that a one-trick set might be better than any score he himself could make. He was right in this judgment; his error lay in counting on a perfect defence.

West opened his fourth best diamond and declarer captured East's jack. The singleton club was now led toward dummy and West, surmising that it was a singleton, correctly put up his ace. He nullified this excellent decision, however, by his next play. He shifted to a low heart. Dummy ducked and East won with the ten, but now no de-

fence could avail. The best East could do was cash the heart ace (or lose it) after which declarer found it easy to take all the tricks except one trump trick. The defenders had taken only one spade, two hearts, and one club.

West had acted shrewdly in putting up the club ace and quickly shifting to hearts, but his selection of the precise heart to lead was shortsighted. He knew that he could never expect to get on the lead again. He also knew that no other club trick nor any trick in diamonds could be counted on. Defeating the contract, then, would depend on taking either two hearts and two spades—a remote chance—or, more likely, three hearts and one spade. The only circumstance that would return three defensive heart tricks was to find East with A-10 and declarer with three low hearts. Even that position, however, would require intelligent defence, namely, the lead of the heart queen, not a low heart by West. Obviously, the crux was for West to retain the lead if dummy failed to cover—something he could not do by the lead of a low heart.

To-morrow's Hand

Match-point duplicate.  
Both sides vulnerable.

♠ K Q 7  
♥ J 6 4  
♦ A 8 2  
♣ A 7 5 3

♠ A J 8 2  
♥ 9 8  
♦ K 7 5  
♣ K Q 4

How should South play his contract of two clubs doubled?

## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Jels away successfully

2—Work of fiction

3—Incapable of reproduction

4—Fruit together

5—Knave hole

6—After dinner nap

7—Command

8—Put into place

9—That thing

10—Topsy (scottish)

11—Warning sound

12—Frag

13—Norse god of war

14—Talk about value

15—Casual liquid

16—Turn

17—Courage

18—Liquid displaced in the particles

19—Fourth month

20—Ancient Egyptian deity

21—Exist

22—Porous metal

23—Exposed

24—Person

25—Metal-bearing vein

26—Spanish title of respect

27—Devoiced

28—Within

29—African antelope

30—Twenty-four part

31—One who loves

32—Genus of shrub

33—Concerning

DOWN

1—Convey

2—Space from floor to floor of building

3—Metric measure of area

4—Wharf

5—Utmost hyperbole

6—Caused to burst forth

7—More dense

8—Contact

9—Without tops

10—Without

11—Without

12—Without

13—Without

14—Without

15—Without

16—Without

17—Without

18—Without

19—Without

20—Without

21—Without

22—Without

23—Without

24—Without

25—Without

26—Without

27—Without

28—Without

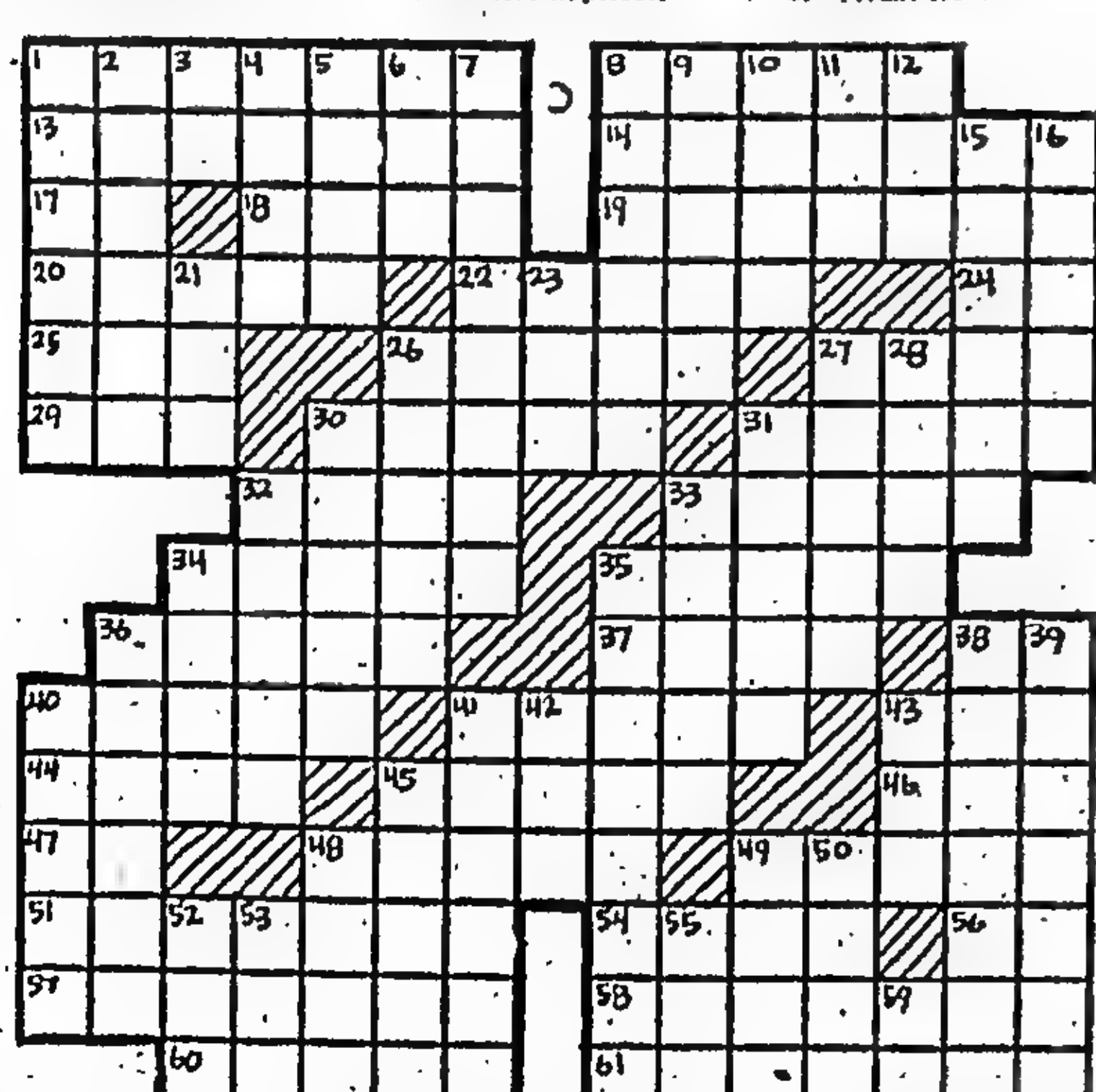
29—Without

30—Without

31—Without

32—Without

33—Without



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## THIRST for OIL

by Luis Araquistain

The Mongolian hordes pushed forward to find food. When they had eaten their way through one country they invaded the next. Germany also is pushing forward for food stuffs, raw materials for food and drink for her war Leviathan.

The nectar this monster most covets and craves is petrol. Apart from the small quantity manufactured in the country the balance has to come from outside.

The nearest is Rumanian oil; and to-day Rumania is a German colony. The presence of the British in Greece threatened the Rumanian wells and to eliminate this threat Germany attacked the Greeks and Yugoslavs. But Rumanian oil is insufficient. Hitler thought that unoccupied Spain and France, unoccupied for the moment, would be useful channels for the receipt of American oil. But the British blockade has frustrated his hopes.

There remained the oil in Iraq, Iran and the Caucasus. As the Golden Fleece guided the movements of the ancient Argonauts, oil to-day guides the Nazi movements. The insurrection was German work undertaken to obtain control of the oil from Mosul and the pipe line carrying it to Haifa in the Mediterranean.

### RUSSIA'S SUPPLIES

The Italo-Nazi campaign in Libya was a strategic diversion arranged to protect Rumanian wells and to minimise the British forces round the Iraq wells and also those in Iran which are near the Persian Gulf. To the north of Iran lies the Russian oil of the Caucasus and the pipe line which carries it from Baku, on the Caspian, to Batum, on the Black Sea. The transport of this oil along the Danube to Germany and Italy would be easier than that of the Iraq oil through the Mediterranean, for this sea is controlled by the British fleet.

To remove the British fleet from the Eastern Mediterranean is the secondary objective of the North African campaign. German pressure against Russia in the North and North-east of Europe is proposed not only with the view of seizing the Ukrainian grain but to force Russia to hand over part of the Caucasian oil. Similarly the conquest of the Persian Gulf and Suez would open to Germany the Indian Ocean for other imports from America and Asia.

### SPAIN AND AFRICA

As alternative or supplement to this strategic plan there is the possibility of a Nazi expansion in West Africa. For this plan Spain and her African colonies are vital points of support. Gibraltar is a danger but not decisive. If it resists, as it will resist, it can be flanked to the West by establishing a line of sea or air communication from Seville or Cadiz to Tangier, Larache, the Canary Islands, Imlil Villa, Cienfuegos and Guinea. From there to Venezuela oil is only a short sea or air jump.

The war may near America with dramatic suddenness either towards the centre or South Atlantic. The greatest tragedy will be that Spain will accept voluntarily or involuntarily this audacious plan definitely fatal, however, for its originators. It will increase the hunger and thus the desperation of Spaniards. "Does not Jupiter blind those he wishes to lose?"

## GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"It seems like very heavy reading! Haven't you anything that describes the international situation in a lighter, more humorous way?"

## Free France Marches with Britain

### Passive Resistance

The spirit with which the French in the Mother Country take German orders is rather well illustrated in the following incident which occurred in a big town in the west.

A monument to France's dead was draped with the French flag and English emblems. The Germans removed the French flag and placed in its stead an Italian flag. The French tore it down and trod on it.

As a reprisal, the Germans insisted that two men should present themselves every day to mount guard at the monument. This is a favourite German punishment. Often after telephone wires have been cut, the male population of a town has been made responsible for keeping watch to see that it does not happen again.

The next morning, 500 Frenchmen turned up to mount guard. The Kommandantur could do nothing but cancel his orders, and send the five hundred home with as much speed as possible.

On All Saints' Day last year, English graves were heaped with flowers gathered by school children. The flowers were made up into little red, white and blue bunches. When the Germans noticed this touching act, they removed all the flowers instantly.

### Italians Ridiculed

The working classes in Paris are convinced now that General de Gaulle will come and deliver them from the Germans, and with patience and bearing they wait. Elsewhere, in occupied France, the Allied victory in Egypt has been responsible for a colossal rallying of public opinion.

More astonishing is the fact that the Germans of the Army of occupation in France have heard about the Allied victories and hold their Italian allies up to ridicule in front of the French.

### Germans' Morale Low

The German Army of Occupation shows signs of being rather unhappy in its work. In spite of frequent leave, and perhaps on account of frequent leave, the morale is exceedingly low. The German soldiers' and sailors' uniforms look unkempt, and often observers have noticed a certain lack of respect between men and their officers.

The Germans drink a great deal, and are often drunk. It is quite a common sight to see Germans leaving their posts for a cafe, where they frequently become riotous and unsteady.

## French Girl Tries To Steal Planes For Us

Ginette Durand, an eighteen-year-old French girl in Morocco, tried to steal Vichy-owned planes "in favour of a foreign Power." It was stated when she faced a military tribunal at Meknes, Morocco, recently.

The court decided she is an "irresponsible minor," so they acquitted her, but ten men charged with her were given sentences ranging from six to fifteen years' hard labour.

Pilots Gaoled  
Details of their activities have not been published, but it is assumed the planes were meant for Britain. The Casablanca newspaper "Telit Marocain" says that as soon as the leakage of planes was found out the

## CHINESE VIEWS ON WAR SPREAD

CHUNGKING, June 23 (Reuter).—Chinese sympathy for Soviet Russia and confidence in an ultimate Soviet victory was expressed by the Chinese official "Central Daily News" in the leading article this morning.

"From the point of view of both ideological and material interests," declares the paper, "a conflict between Germany and Soviet Russia was inevitable, but the outbreak of hostilities coming so soon is somewhat a surprise. Germany and Soviet Russia possess the largest armies in the world. The principles of their Governments were fundamentally at variance. 'This war will be quite different from Germany's wars against Poland, France and Greece.'

"We firmly believe that international disputes should be settled and adjusted by proper diplomatic channels and a peaceful procedure. Any settlement by force, even if successful, cannot be a satisfactory and permanent solution."

Germany, continues the journal, must bear the responsibility for the war, since she undertook the invasion of Soviet Russia.

"Our sympathy goes to the Soviet Union and we are confident that ultimate victory will be the Soviet's." The paper, referring to the Axis Alliance states, "to understand the significance of the Tripartite Pact we must draw attention to the aims of the Anti-Comintern Pact. The powers of Germany, Italy and Japan have always considered the four democracies—China, Britain, the United States and Soviet Russia—as their common enemies."

Other signatories of the Pact will probably clarify their attitude shortly in support of Germany. Since the Axis powers form a united front against the Democracies, concludes the paper, it is time for Soviet Russia to join the democracies, giving particular attention to the Axis partner in the Far East.

## NEW ZEALAND CONCURS Aid For Russia

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister of New Zealand announced in London to-night "that after consultation with his government in New Zealand, he was in a position to state that the New Zealand Government entirely concurs in the policy laid down by the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom in his broadcast last night with reference to the German attack on Russia, and will be glad to associate themselves in this matter with His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom."

This is the first of the British Dominion Governments officially to endorse the "British aid for Russia" policy enunciated by Mr Churchill yesterday.

Canada's Attitude  
OTTAWA, June 23 (Reuter).—The Government will shortly review its attitude towards wheat shipments to Russia with prospects that permits will be granted.

Last autumn Canada refused Russian orders, fearing that the wheat would reach Germany.

Car Knocks Down Lamp Standard  
Lieut. H. Davis of 71, Kimberley Road, was driving a car shortly after midnight last night along Chatham Road, and when passing Mody Road ran into a lamp standard which was smashed in two while the car was badly damaged.

Lieut. Davis received cuts to the face and was taken to the Kowloon Hospital. He was allowed to proceed home after treatment.

LONDON, June 23 (British Wire- less).—On July 5, all men born in the years 1895 and 1899 will be required to register for employment in war service.

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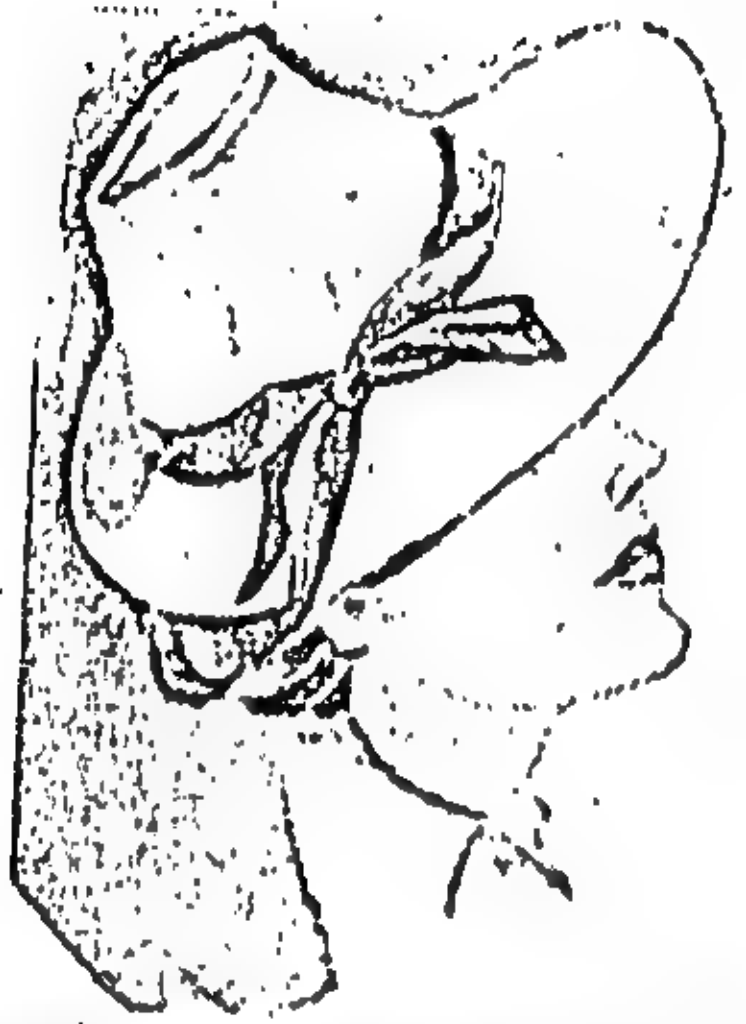
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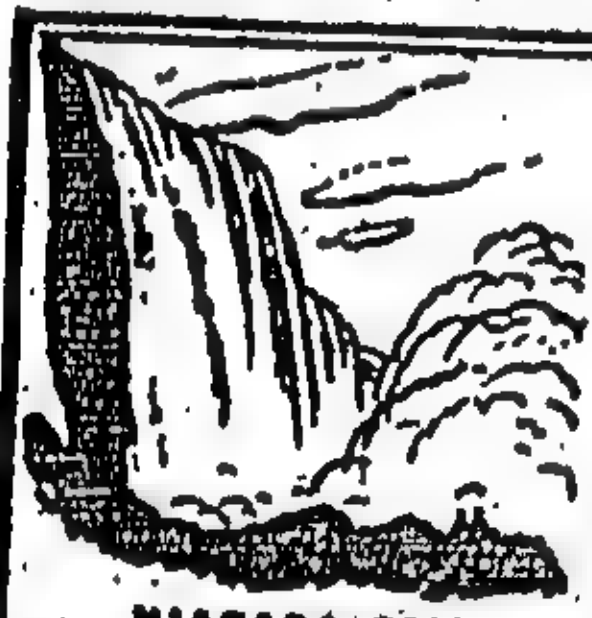
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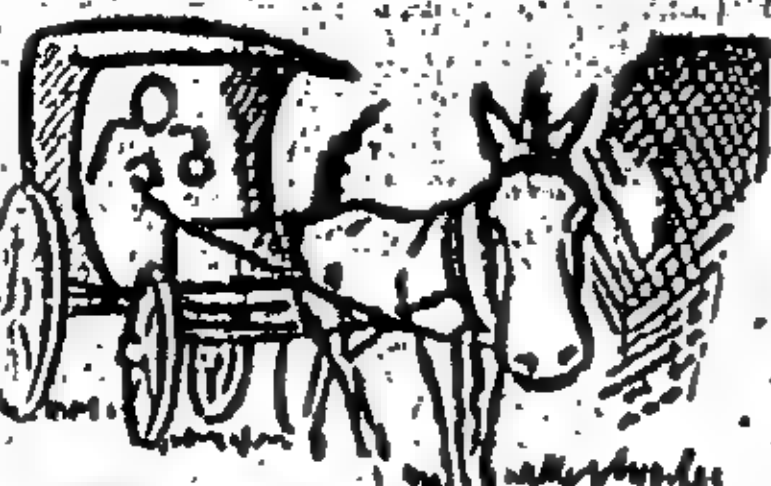
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### RUSSIA HAS HER OPPORTUNITY

IF there is one thing to be said  
of Nazism it is that in its un-  
folding it has submerged in  
other nations class warfare and,  
between nations, ideological war-  
fare, in order to meet a foe  
whose creed is hideous to all.  
It is an immense pity that the  
process was not carried further  
much earlier in the war. The  
forced entry of Russia has im-  
mediately made us think of the  
Communists as deserving of our  
sympathy and help not wholly,  
it is true, because of altruistic  
motives, but certainly as a means  
of weakening the common  
enemy.

Hitler has won so many gam-  
bles that the last words one  
wants to hear from British lips  
are confident assertions that this  
time he has gone too far. It  
may be that the German leader  
desires to visit so sudden and  
sickening a destruction on the  
masses of Russian people that  
they will be compelled to sue for  
peace at the cost of their rich  
southern provinces. With oil  
and what fields in his possession  
Hitler might offer to suspend  
operations, keeping an eye mean-  
while on preventing further  
Soviet rearmament, to press  
the offensive against his main  
antagonist, Britain.

The most important question  
of to-day seems to be: Have  
the Russians got the courage  
and spirit to go on fighting in  
that eventuality? Will they be  
deluded by another armistice  
and give much in order to retain  
the shadow of independence as  
Rumania did? Until they give  
evidence of preparing to fight to  
the bitter end the democratic  
world must suspend judgment  
on Russia's forced entry into  
the anti-Hitler camp while giv-  
ing them, as Mr Churchill has  
promised, such assistance as we  
can. The new war changes the  
aspect of things in the Far East  
but in these difficult days it is  
not fair to impute designs or  
plans to the countries affected  
and stir up issues which may  
not arise. It is to be hoped that  
Japan will abide by her treaty  
of neutrality with Russia and  
not emulate Italy's famous stab  
in the back.

The next move in the Far  
East is Japan's and it is the

# WHY GERMANY AND RUSSIA ARE AT WAR

By ALEC GREAVES

THE inevitable has hap-  
pened, and those two honest newspapermen bent on the fact that the Russians were  
ill-suited bedfellows, Hitler and their proper duty are regarded not informed of the negotiation,  
of the night and made for each do official statements help to Stalin.  
other's throats. Forgotten are Hence, it is only from apprecia-  
the sweet assurances of friend- tion of one development after  
ship of 1939, and the Nazis ap- another, and their places in a  
pear again in their true colours. general plan, that it is at all  
The small countries of Europe possible to account for an event.

### Russia Encircled

Thus, looking at the Russo-  
German situation, one fact  
stands out clearly. Russia is  
completely encircled. The Nazis  
command the Dardanelles, the  
Soviet outlet from the Black  
Sea. They command the Skag-  
errak and the Kattegat, Russia's  
outlet from the Baltic. On  
the Pacific side, Russia can  
emerge from Vladivostok only  
by Japan's leave. On the north  
she is ice-bound and, on the  
south, she is land-locked.

Ideologically opposed to each  
other, the political orders of  
Nazi Germany and Soviet Rus-  
sia could not for long sustain a  
friendship of convenience. Sta-  
lin seemed primarily to be keen  
on keeping his country out of  
the European quarrel, neither  
giving in too much to one side  
nor entirely alienating the  
other, hoping, with profound  
cunning, that while others ex-  
hausted themselves Russia  
would emerge from the ruins of  
battle the most potent force in  
both European and Asiatic af-  
fairs.

### Aid To Nazis

To this end, he has since 1939  
bowed to innumerable German  
demands. He lent the Germans  
rolling stock; he supplied them  
with wheat, fish and other com-  
modities; oil was also supplied  
in limited quantities. The aid  
given was perhaps not as im-  
mense as that which the United  
States is rendering to Britain,  
but it was of sufficient propor-  
tions to lead observers to ask  
whether or no Russia had a  
secret alliance with Germany.

What has caused this sudden  
breakdown? Why does Stalin  
choose this moment to cease  
appeasing the Nazi appetite?  
And what are Germany's de-  
mands that Stalin's refusal to  
comply should induce Hitler to  
attack his erstwhile "friend?"

Millions of words have poured  
from the presses of the world  
on this vital question, but re-  
ports contradict one another. It  
is possible to gather reliable in-  
formation neither in Germany  
nor Russia, for a cast-iron  
system of censorship prevents  
true, objective news from

him. He could blackmail Stalin  
into providing him with Russian  
oil without sending a single  
soldier into the field. If that  
failed, he had to choose one of  
three ways—to crash through  
the combined armed might of  
Russia and Turkey, or fight one  
of these two countries alone.

As events have proved, Stalin  
for the first time since 1939  
stiffened towards German de-  
mands. Soviet officials have  
not been unaware that indus-  
trialisation, and mechanisation  
of the Red Army, make Russia  
dependent upon oil. They have  
sought by every conceivable  
means to develop their oil re-  
sources, and more recently, side  
by side with the new military  
programme, a scheme for con-  
serving as much oil as possible  
for potential military use was  
adopted. It was impossible for  
Stalin to accede to Hitler's de-  
mand, considering the situation  
all round.

Of the remaining alternatives  
for Hitler, bullying of Russia  
was immeasurably the most  
appealing. Hitler possibly did  
not dream that Stalin was pre-  
pared to resist a demand for  
transit facilities for his army  
to Iran once the Turks were  
neutralised. Also, by refrain-  
ing from any act of hostility  
towards Turkey, Hitler hopes  
that Moslem feeling will not be  
aroused against him.

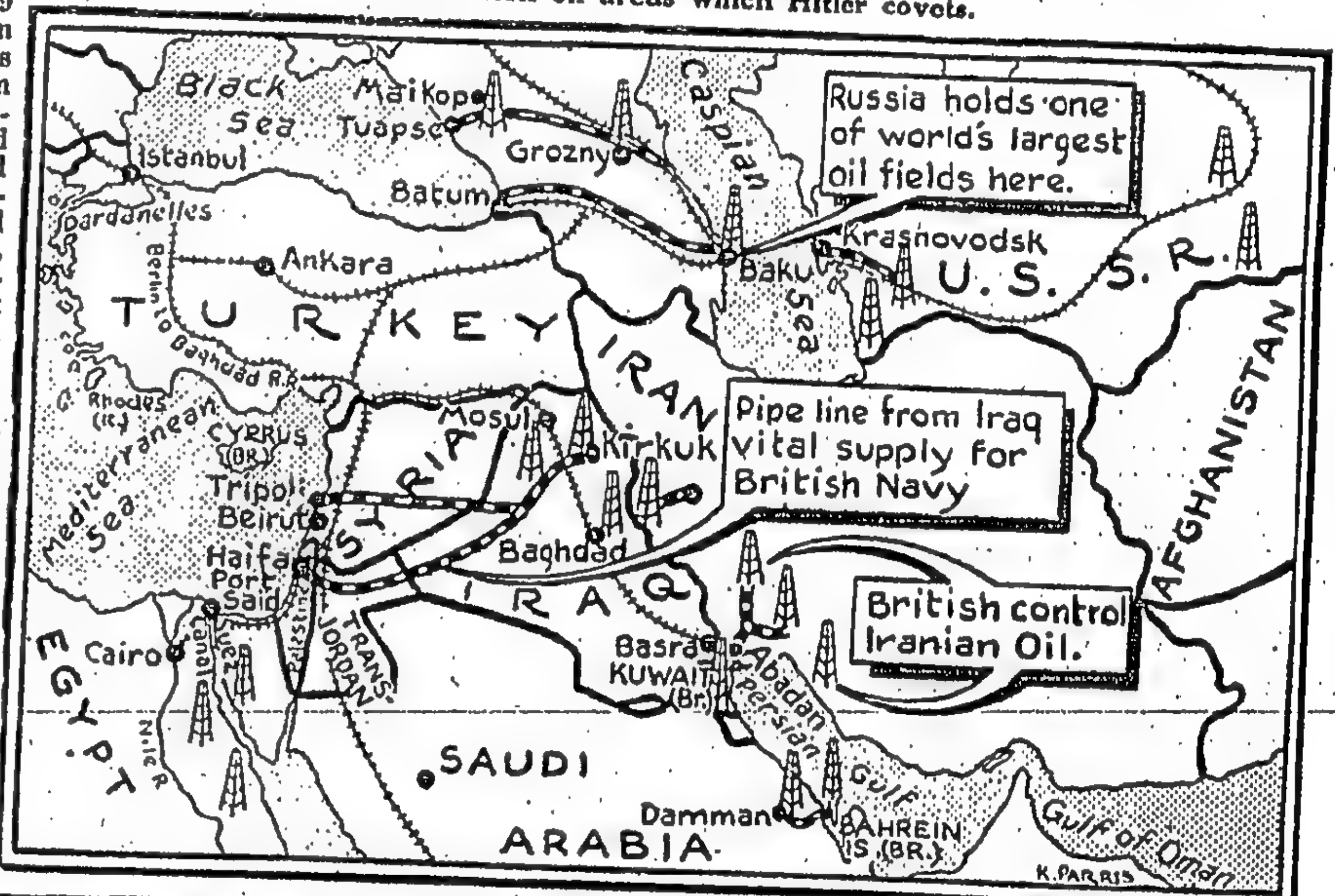
Stalin has seen the writing on  
the wall and has decided to act.  
To have submitted tractably to  
the Nazis would have been to  
acknowledge Hitler as his  
country's master. For he would  
be losing the oil which propels  
the Red Army and air force; he  
would be losing the vast wheat  
production of the Ukraine which  
feeds the millions of Russians;  
and he would be losing also his  
sole remaining chance of secur-  
ing a warm-water outlet to the  
Indian Ocean.

### Quest For Oil

Another fact is also clear.  
Hitler needs oil, and this im-  
portant product, without which  
his vast machine of war will  
come to a full stop, is to be  
found in Russia's Caucasian  
fields, Iran and Iraq.

In order to gain possession of  
the oil, Hitler had to decide on  
one of several methods open to  
him.

The rich oil areas which Hitler covets.



## OF all the public men who are shoulder- ing the present responsi- bilities of the nation, my sympathy goes out first to Mr Ernest Bevin.

Poor Mr Bevin—the first  
man in British history to be  
faced with the task of con-  
scripting millions of women  
logically deduction, this is women who have chosen  
theoretically sound, but this course we owe eternal  
leaks like a sieve in actual gratitude and admiration.

Not only has he to deal  
with the practical aspects  
of the problem, such as  
enrolment, classification; and  
welfare.

He must go deeper. He  
must go right back to fun-  
damental principles, and  
try to decide between the point  
of family and coun- and they might well be  
labelled PRESENT and  
FUTURE.

No good to argue that,  
since a nation is nothing but  
a huge unwieldy family, the  
two things are one and the  
same. Like many another  
great opportunity of this war  
for her to make that move one  
which will take her from the  
shadow of suspicion in which  
she has so long lingered. An  
extension of war in the Far East  
is not one of the happiest con-  
tingencies that the democracies  
desire to face. Just now—but  
they would not shrink from  
meeting it.

## WOMEN AT THE CROSS-ROADS

Third of an occasional  
series of articles:  
WOMEN IN WARTIME  
By Nina Warner Hooke

Every young married  
woman who feels a patriotic  
desire to enlist for national  
service knows quite well  
that she stands at a junction  
of two roads.

The fingers of the signpost  
point in opposite directions,  
and she might well be  
labelled PRESENT and  
FUTURE.

It does not matter that, in  
the long run, both roads  
converge upon the same  
point. She is faced with  
the immediate necessity of  
making a difficult choice.

Work for the nation  
means work for present. It  
is a sweeping aside of all  
ambitions and personal  
inclinations, all ties of tradi-  
tion and affection, in an  
effort to meet the general  
emergency.

world a better place for the  
citizens of to-morrow, we must  
acknowledge their right to be  
born.

### LOYALTIES

Now take the young girl who  
is to-day contemplating mar-  
riage. She is faced with the same  
conflicting loyalties.

She wants to respond to Mr  
Bevin's call—yet at the same  
time she feels that she could be  
of equal value to her country in  
the role of wife and mother.

Since criticism is of little use  
unless it attempts to be con-  
structive, I suggest that she  
should not be asked to tackle  
such a problem.

Instead, perhaps, Mr Bevin  
should begin at the other end of  
the ladder by first conscripting  
women of thirty-eight to forty.  
As workers, such women  
should prove far superior to  
their juniors in age.

### NATURE'S WAY

It is, I think, a statistical fact  
that more children are born  
during wartime than in peace.  
In this way Nature seeks to  
redress the balance. But up to  
now her arrangements have not  
been actively interfered with.  
That is to say, however wide-  
spread the field of war, women  
have been left comparatively  
free to fulfil their basic purpose  
of propagation. Will their gra-  
dual absorption into the ranks  
lead to a fall, instead of a com-  
pensatory rise, in the birth rate?  
Meanwhile, there stands our  
young wife at the junction of  
the "roads." Should she make  
the choice of war or peace?  
And if bombers, or produce  
babies?



# TREMENDOUS ARMED CLASHES ANTICIPATED BY BERLIN

## Invaders Due To Meet Main Soviet Forces

Special to the "Telegraph"

MAIN REPORTS ON THE NAZI-SOVIET CONFLICT CONTINUE TO EMANATE FROM BERLIN AND OTHER GERMAN SOURCES. "UNITED PRESS" QUOTES THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY FROM BERLIN TO THE EFFECT THAT THE NAZIS HAVE BROKEN THROUGH THE RED TROOPS' FORTIFIED LINES AT MANY PLACES AND THAT TREMENDOUS CLASHES WITH THE MAIN SOVIET FORCES ON THE WESTERN RUSSIAN FRONTIERS WERE EXPECTED MOMENTARILY.

It was also claimed that the Germans and Rumanians are advancing towards the former Soviet-Rumanian frontier and that they have successfully invaded Bessarabia.

Luftwaffe formations were reported to have bombed naval ports and bases of the Red navy, despite heavy defence fire.

One objective, states the report, was a particularly strong attack against a Russian submarine base in the Black Sea.

All the Nazi planes dropped their bombs despite heavy anti-aircraft fire. Damage was observed to the wharves and dock installations as well as a large fire caused at an oil depot.

All German planes returned to their base, it is claimed, while only a few were lightly damaged by the A.A. fire.

## ROOSEVELT RECEIVES HALIFAX

WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—Lord Halifax, the British Ambassador, conferred with President Roosevelt at the White House to-day.

Their talk was part of a series of conferences which President Roosevelt is holding with the State Department and British officials to analyse how the latest war developments will affect the United States.

There is no indication whether the President has yet reached any conclusion or decision.

The President had a telephonic conversation with Mr Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, who is at present kept away from his office by a slight illness.

Afterwards, President Roosevelt had two telephone talks with Mr Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, who later visited the White House personally.

The Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm paper "Tidningen" says that it is reliably reported that a Mr K. B. Skorpadyk has already been proclaimed "Hitman" (Leader) of the "Free Ukraine" Skorpadyk is at present in Berlin with his son.

A London message says that it is reliably reported that Moscow has accepted Britain's offer of aid and has tendered Soviet military and economic aid to Britain.

Sweden's future role is also discussed in London. Some uneasiness, says "United Press," is noticeable in responsible Swedish circles, lest the developments in the Baltic cause Hitler to seek German naval bases in Sweden.

"Reuter" from London reports that according to the Helsinki Radio the Finnish High Command has ordered protective measures to be taken in all towns and densely populated areas against air raids.

More than 1,000 Finnish children have arrived in Sweden.

An air raid alarm was sounded in southern Finland last night.

A Finnish frontier town is reported to have been fired on by a Russian shore battery.

British Military Mission  
Another "Reuter" telegram says that it is stated in Istanbul that a British military mission is leaving Egypt for Moscow to co-ordinate the war efforts of the two countries.

Fire Aboard Bremen  
STOCKHOLM, June 23 (UP).—A despatch from Berlin, "Tidningen" alleges that it can now be revealed that the fire aboard the liner Bremen which almost destroyed the vessel was due to sabotage on the part of German Communists.

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## Destroyer Sunk By R.A.F. At Beirut

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—An enemy destroyer is believed to have been sunk in the harbour of Beirut yesterday, states an R.A.F. Middle East communique.

The communique says that R.A.F. bombers attacked enemy shipping in the harbour of Beirut. One destroyer received a direct hit and is believed to have sunk, and a merchant ship along the mole was set on fire.

During the previous night, the harbour was also raided by Fleet Air Arm aircraft and bombs were seen to fall across the wharves.

Australian planes machine-gunned and destroyed a number of Vichy transport vehicles on the Damascus-Beirut road.

Convoy Attacked  
R.A.F. bombers early yesterday morning attacked a convoy of enemy merchant ships escorted by destroyers along the Tripolitanian coast. One ship of 9,000 tons was badly damaged and other bombs were seen falling close to other ships in the convoy, probably damaging them.

Down Over Malta  
One Italian plane was shot down over Malta yesterday by British fighters.

One more Messerschmitt is now known to have been destroyed by British fighters on June 17 besides the six already claimed.

One British aircraft is missing from all the above operations but the crew are safe.

## WATCHMEN ACCUSED OF LARCENY

Two Indian private watchmen employed at "Euston," Bonham Road, were charged before Mr G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's court this morning with larceny of rice, the property of their employer.

Defendants are Surja Singh, 35, and Lahora Singh, 30, and they are charged with stealing ten catfish of rice, valued \$1.50, the property of their employer, yesterday.

They pleaded not guilty and were remanded until Thursday at 11.30 a.m. bail of \$50 each being allowed.

Det.-Sgt. C. W. Wilcox is in charge of the prosecution.

## Swimming Gala

Organised by the A.N.S. and the Y.A.D. a Swimming Gala will be held in the European Y.M.C.A. swimming pool on Saturday, July 12.

All interested are requested to communicate with Miss Basket, care of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, or the Helena May Institute before Thursday next.

The Gala is in aid of the Bomber Fund.

## U.S. Condemns Nazis "Treacherous Attack"

WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—The United States Government has formally condemned Germany's "treacherous attack" on the Soviet Union.

This formal declaration of policy was read by Mr Sumner Welles, Assistant Secretary of State, at a large press conference. Mr Welles declared that the immediate issue before the American people was whether Hitler's plan for universal conquest was to be successfully halted and defeated.

He declared that no communication had yet been received from Russia, the question of granting aid to the Soviets under the Lend Lease Act had not been decided by the United States Government.

Mr Welles observed, however, that the Lend Lease Act authorised President Roosevelt to furnish aid to any country resisting aggression and added grimly that the United States can "see once more beyond any doubt with what intent the present Government of Germany negotiates non-aggression pacts."

The attack on Russia constitutes a "dire warning by Germany of the hostile and murderous intent behind such assurances."

Mr Welles revealed that the Russian Ambassador, M. Goussinsky, had conferred with the United States Government about freezing Soviet assets, but the Assistant Secretary indicated that no decision had yet been reached.

"Hitler's armies are to-day the chief dangers of the Americas," declared Mr Welles.

He continued: "In the opinion of this Government consequently, any defence against Hitlerism, any rallying of forces opposing Hitlerism from whatever sources these forces may spring, will eventually the downfall of the present German Government and will, therefore, redound to the benefit of our own defence and security."

"No further proof could conceivably be required of the real purpose and projects of the present leaders of Germany for world domination. It is now furnished by Hitler's treacherous attack upon Soviet Russia."

"The German leaders' sworn engagements to refrain from hostile acts against other countries are but a symbol of deceit. To the present"

## Immigration Officers Offend

Two Junior Chinese Immigration Officers were charged before Mr H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistrate's court this morning with larceny.

First Defendant, Chung Wing-hon, was charged with stealing a goose and the second Defendant, Leung Chui-lun, with stealing a chicken.

Both thefts were alleged to have taken place on board a ship which arrived from Kwongchowwan yesterday.

Defendants pleaded guilty and were fined \$200 or in default three months' hard labour.

Sub-Inspector Byron said both Defendants boarded the ship yesterday with a party of Immigration Officers. First Defendant was not on duty at the time. They were later seen by detectives to steal a goose and chicken respectively.

Government Servants  
Inspector Byron asked that a serious view be taken of the case as Defendants were Government servants. Inspector Byron added that there had been a number of complaints from poultry dealers of poultry missing from shipments.

Kwok Shing, 28, unemployed, was also charged before Mr Sheldon with larceny of a chicken from the same ship.

Pleading guilty, Defendant said, "The chicken flew out of the crate and I caught it."

He was fined \$20 or one month's hard labour.

## ITALIANS IN AMERICA

WASHINGTON, June 23 (Reuter).—All necessary steps to prevent any Italian nationals from leaving the United States pending further instructions have been ordered.

The Department of Justice announces that it has issued instructions to this effect to Immigration and Border Patrol officers.

This action duplicates the steps taken against the Germans on June 18.

## Malaya's Huge Contribution To Relief Funds

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## Pressure On Foochow

Chinese Renew Attack  
SHUIKOW, June 23 (Central News).—Chinese troops in the past few days have launched repeated attacks on the Japanese in Foochow and there has been considerable fighting in the immediate outskirts of the city.

More than 500 casualties have been inflicted on the Japanese in Foochow during the fighting in the past three weeks.

South of Pengtch  
SOUTH ANHWEI, June 23 (Central News).—Under the cover of an aerial bombardment, a Japanese detachment at Pengtch in eastern Kiangsi on June 20 launched an attack on Chinese positions at Tai-pingkiwan, south of Pengtch.

## RUBBER NEEDS OF AMERICA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, June 23 (UP).—All United States rubber purchases in the Far East will be handled exclusively by the official Rubber Reserve Company as from to-day for the purpose of "accelerating the accumulation of the Government reserve supply and to facilitate the distribution for defence and commercial requirements."

The British and Netherlands Governments will co-operate in the programme.

Existing contracts are not affected. The announcement followed the publication of earlier restrictions.

The purpose of the order is to conserve the supply for defence uses. The United States for many months has been storing emergency stocks of raw rubber from the Far East but there were increasing indications that the stocks were not accumulating as fast as was advisable.

Some observers are of the opinion that the new arrangements are also intended to facilitate rubber shipments across the Pacific in Government vessels which otherwise might return empty to the United States after transporting supplies for the British armies in the Middle East.

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# Dick Turpin Destroyed

## Cruiserweight Bout For Area Championship

## Plans For War-time Tennis Tournaments

# Hockey And Basketball On Skates

**HOCKEY** and basketball on skates has taken quite a hold on local residents, even to the extent of organised competition. Military sportsmen are particularly interested in the hockey, and it is learned that a competition at the Kowloon Skating Rink will be formed in the near future.

### **Basketball Cup**

The Kowloon Residents' Union have become holders of the Kim Shing Cup for basketball as a result of a win over Kowloon Skating Rink in the final of the competition. The score was 35-23.

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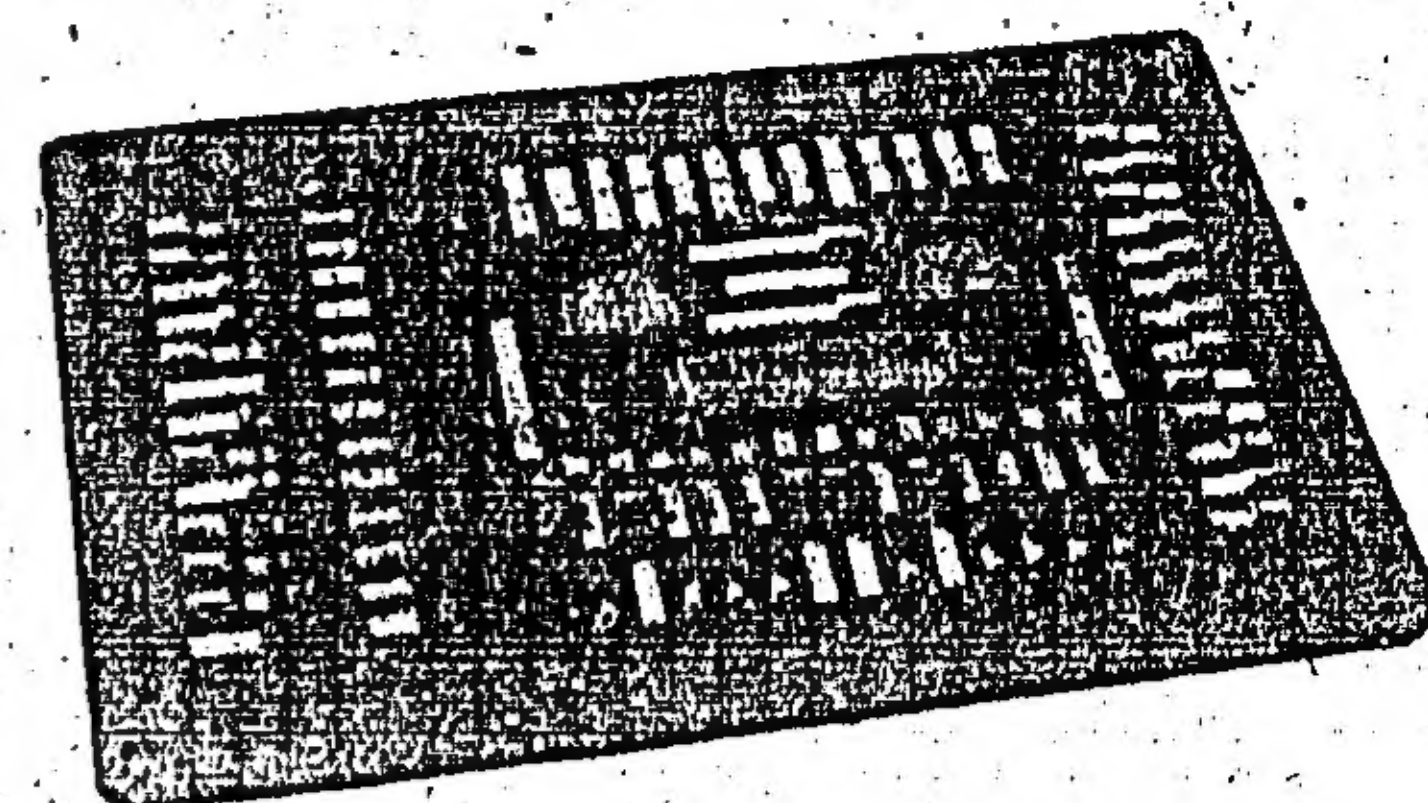
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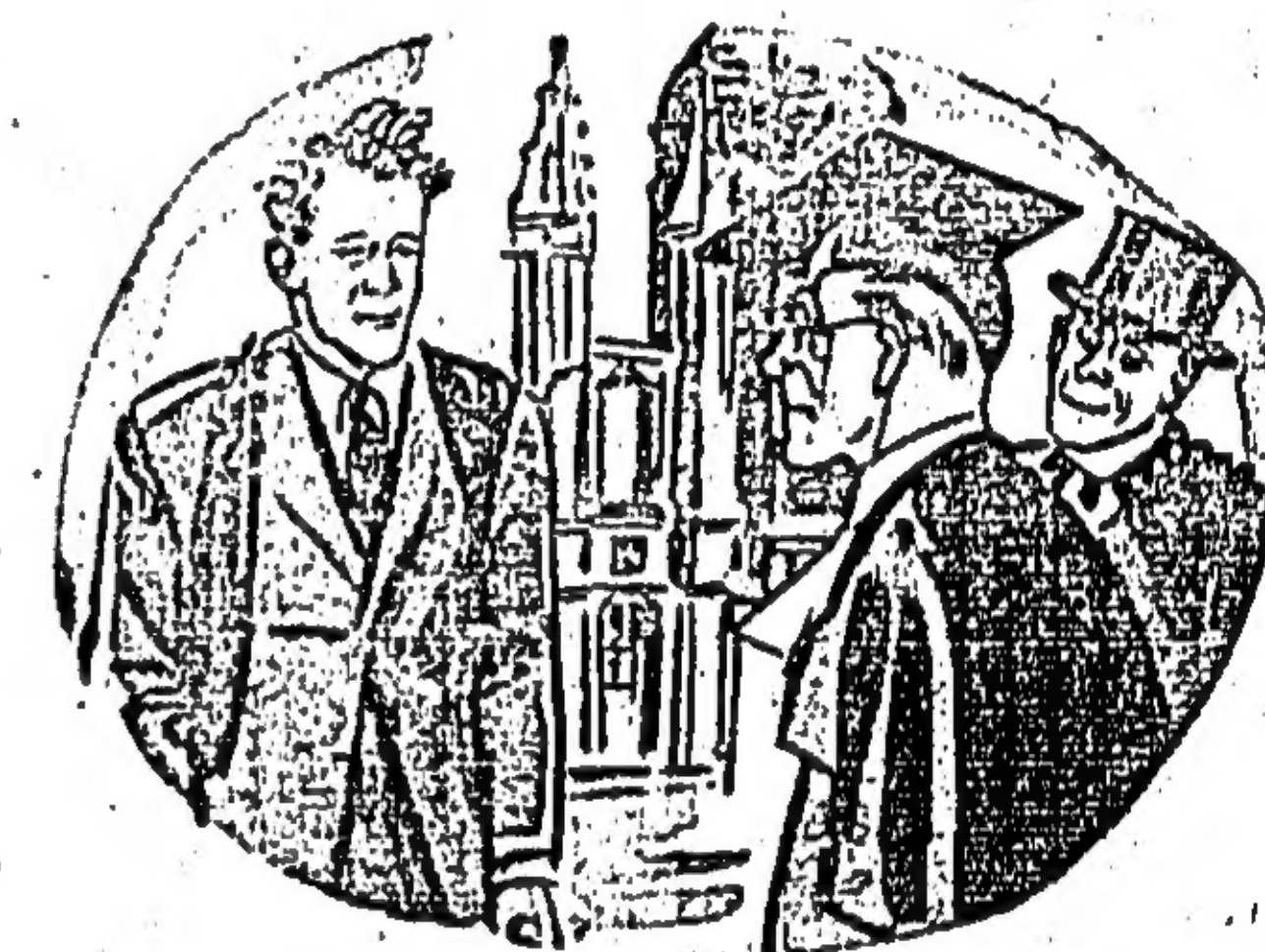
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"Yes, Sir."

"But no element of originality." —

"No, Sir."

"It will be necessary to send workmen up in the morning to remove the object — not without some danger to life and limb."

"Yes, Sir."

"From your appearance and your manner Mr. Digby, I assume that you are celebrating some event of great

Importance — some outstanding academic achievement no doubt."

"Yes, Sir."

"H'm — my advice, Sir, is that you retire to bed immediately, having first taken a long draught of Rowell's Line Juice. — Its therapeutic effects may help you to face the wrath to come in the morning."

"Thank you, Sir."

"And by the way — I notice you chose the long way up. Actually there is a shorter way. I remember in '88 or was it '89 — H'm, H'm, Good night."

"Good night, Sir."

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## Girl's Ring Caused Envy In School

A HEADMASTER'S decision that girls should not wear jewellery in school "because it caused envy in the minds of other children and turned their minds from the path of education" resulted in a father being fined 10s. at Sheffield for not sending his nine-year-old daughter to school.

Harold Webster, radio dealer of Stocksbridge, near Sheffield, gave his daughter the silver ring that caused all the trouble.

Mr G. R. Billington, prosecuting, said a teacher saw the girl wearing the ring, and it was placed on the teacher's desk.

Next day the father went to the school, demanded the ring, and put it back on the girl's finger.

Afterwards he did not send her to school.

The headmaster, Mr John Weaver, said: "I discourage jewellery in school because it causes envy in the minds of other children and turns their minds from the path of true education."

### "Bangle Wrangle"

\*The case recalls the Somerset "Bangle Wrangle" which lasted from 1925 to 1930.

Violet Burton, daughter of a West Coker dairy farmer, was made to take off a silver bracelet in school, so her parents kept her from school for three years.

In 1930, after Violet had attended school normally for two years, her bangle, and her determination to wear it, resulted in an inquiry attended by the headmistress, the school managers, and members of the county education committee. Then the matter dropped.

## Hun Prison Camp Fare Awful

TORONTO, May 9.—Pte. George Thompson of Toronto, in letters received here today by relatives, described his escape from a German prison camp in France and his return to England by way of Gibraltar. "The food they gave us in that German camp was awful," he wrote to his sister, Mrs R. J. Donaghy, and his fiancée, Miss Doris Cox. "All we had for breakfast was a cup of black coffee without sugar or milk. It looked and tasted like coal dust screenings. For dinner we got boiled unsweetened rice, and for supper boiled lentils."

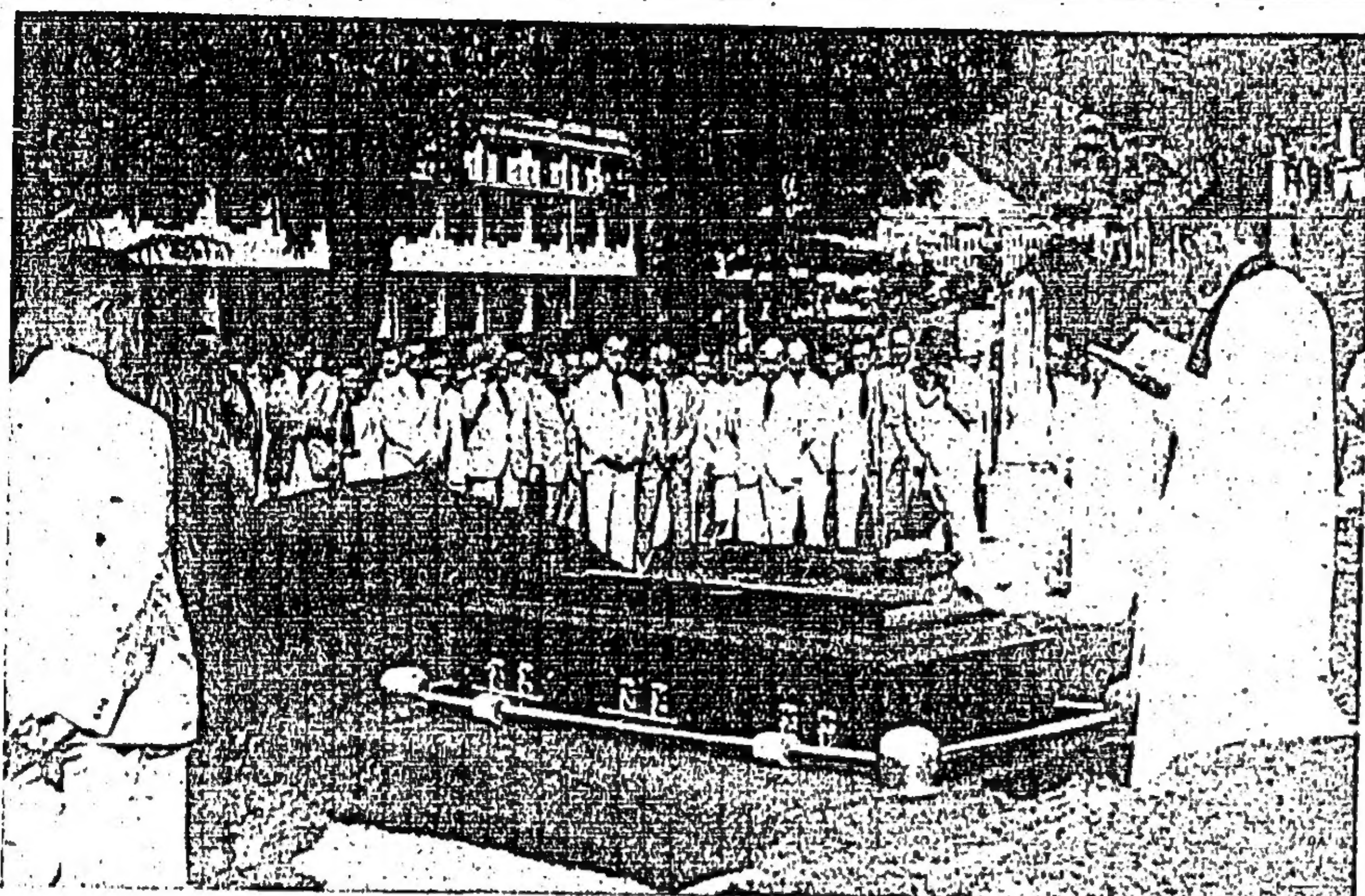
For the first 10 days after he was made a prisoner on July 9, he wrote, all they had to eat was biscuits and water.

## Heavily Armed U. S. Plane

WASHINGTON.—The Army, it was disclosed recently, has completed tests of a new plane which is the most heavily armed of any American fighter craft yet produced.

The ship, designated the YP-30C, is an improved model of the Bell P-39. What conclusions were reached from the tests were not announced.

The plane, which is being turned out at Buffalo, N. Y., for both the Army Air Corps and the Royal Air Force, is powered by an Allison liquid-cooled motor more powerful than that used in the original P-39. Although pursuit plane, but is "virtually the same in external appearance," the War Department said.



Interment scene at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday when a large number of people were present to pay their last respects to the late Mr C. W. Jeffries, Director of the Royal Observatory. His Excellency the Governor was represented at the funeral by his A.D.C., Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

## NAZI TROOP ACTIVITY IN SOUTH & WEST NORWAY

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—A sudden increase in German activity on the south and west coasts of Norway is indicated in reports reaching the Norwegian telegraph agency. German troops are reported to be constantly moving westwards from Oslo.

A large part of the coastal region has been declared a fully prohibited area and permits for entrance to and exit from it are issued only very exceptionally.

The area extends inland for about 80 miles from the north side of Nordfjord and then southwards, passing the head of Sognefjord and Hardanger Fjord and as far south as Kragero on the south coast.

Large-scale evacuations of Norwegian citizens are being undertaken with drastic suddenness. In the Oberland district, near Trondheim, large cultivated areas have been taken over by the Germans.

Formers are being driven out at a moment's notice. At one place, the Germans even set fire to some barracks in order to clear the ground.

## COMMONS' DEBATE

On Extension of War

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—When Parliament next meets, there will be an immediate debate on Germany's latest act of aggression and its implications.

The previously arranged debate on the shipping situation which was to have taken place in the House of Commons in a secret session has been postponed to permit of war discussion.

Arrangements for the debate have not yet been definitely settled, but the opening statement on behalf of the Government will be made either by the Prime Minister or the Foreign Minister, and according to the course of the debate, one or the other of them may intervene when they have had an opportunity of hearing the views of members in different parts of the House.

## POLES SEEK COMMON GROUND WITH REDS

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—"The Polish-Russian question which might have shadowed the outlook of many friends of ours in the west and has caused noxious friction and clashes, I believe may disappear from international politics."

This statement was made by the Polish Prime Minister, General Sikorski, in a declaration approved by the Polish Cabinet.

This followed a meeting of the Polish Cabinet to discuss the German attack on Russia.

The declaration which was broadcast from London to Poland, also declares that Germany, the foremost foe of Poland, has torn asunder an alliance which has so long been a source of our greatest misfortunes. By striking at Russia, they are undertaking at a great risk, a task of which the issue is uncertain and must be weakening.

### Brest Litovsk

Declaring that since the Treaty of Brest Litovsk in 1918, Russia had continually collaborated with Germany, the declaration adds, "we are entitled to assume that Russia will now cancel the pact of 1939."

Thousands of Polish men and women, including 300,000 war prisoners are still suffering in Russian prisons, and "should it not be deemed right and honest to restore these people to their country?"

### German Weakness

The declaration states that the German attack "testifies far greater to German weakness than we had suspected. This attempt to destroy the military power of the Soviet in order to avoid the threat in the rear

## Huge Button Order For The Army

The clothing of Kitchener's Army in 1914 was seriously delayed by a shortage of trousers buttons. Buttons are a problem in this war, too, for the Quartermaster-General's department was suddenly called on to provide 24,000,000 of them.

This was revealed in an interview by Lt.-Gen. Sir Wilfred Lindsell, who is in charge of the Administration of the Home Forces.

Gen. Lindsell said his task was to supply everything that the Army wanted, from women's underwear for the A.T.S. to 15in. guns, or from a surgical needle to a heavy tank.

### Tremendous Tonnage

"The tonnage to be handled is tremendous," he said. "Whether a soldier is in Libya or elsewhere he requires one-third of a ton of supplies per month."

"In this country there can be no stabilised front. We have therefore to be prepared to fight a war in our own lines, and there is no part of these islands which can be regarded as immune."

"Inevitably, therefore, in the event of attempted invasion, every priority would have to be given to the movement of men and munitions."

Gen. Lindsell pointed out that the Army was at present using only two-thirds of the amount of petrol consumed by private motor-cars in Britain.

## Confusion Over "Billion"

Sir Percy Hurd recently asked the Prime Minister whether he was aware of the confusion arising from "billion" on the two sides of the Atlantic, and whether, in view of our new economic intimacy, he would confer with the Governments of the U.S.A. and Canada so as to obtain uniformity in the matter.

Mr Churchill replied that the word "billion" was true, had different or alternative meanings on the opposite side of the Atlantic Ocean, but he did not think that this led to any practical difficulties in negotiations. For all practical official purposes one billion represented £1,000,000,000, "especially in the case of anything we owe." (Laughter.)

[In Great Britain a billion means a million millions; in the United States 1,000 millions.]

## HUGE PETROL CONFISCATION

Attempts to export petrol from the Colony on a very large scale are going on, Mr D. J. N. Anderson at Kowloon Magistracy was told this morning when 20 junk masters and folk were charged with exporting a total of 24,056 tins of petrol and 250 tins of kerosene from the Colony without permits.

Defendants were additionally charged with employing junks not licensed for carrying dangerous goods and with anchoring at a place other than a dangerous goods anchorage.

Mr W. P. Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Police, stated that Police received information that a large scale exporting of petrol was going on at Po Tai O and carried out a raid there.

Twenty junks loaded with petrol were found anchoring among some fishing junks and 24,056 tins of petrol were seized. Defendants had no permits for exporting nor the junks were licensed for the purpose.

Mr Thompson added that it was an extremely dangerous thing for them to anchor near the fishing junks.

### Confiscation

Mr Thompson also asked His Worship to order the petrol to be confiscated on the ground that no owner of the petrol came forward to claim the petrol for fear of being prosecuted.

Fourteen Defendants out of 20 were convicted. On the first charge fines ranging from \$150 to \$500 were imposed, while on the last two counts Defendants were each fined \$100 and \$50 respectively. The petrol was confiscated.

Six others, Kwok Tai, Chau Shing-cheung, Lam Chi-ku, Lam Chan-wai, Lam Po-chuen, and Chu Chiu-tai, all junk masters, were remanded until to-morrow.

They will be represented by Mr Peter Sin.

## Finns Try To Explain

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Conflicting reports in regard to the position of Finland in the Russo-German struggle lend additional interest to the fact that M. Grippenberg, the Finnish Minister in London, visited Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, at the Foreign Office to-day, presumably to explain his country's attitude.

### Country Calm

STOCKHOLM, June 23 (Reuter).—Finland is calm, say Helsingfors correspondents of Swedish newspapers.

The correspondent of "Allehanda" describes the smoothness of the evacuation of women and children from the Finnish capital where there is still no black-out ordered.

### Protest Lodged

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Protest against the bombing of Finnish objectives by Soviet planes was made to the Soviet Minister when he visited the Finnish Foreign Minister to-day, says the Finnish radio.

### Another Protest

SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAPH.—HELSINKI, June 23 (UP).—It is authoritatively stated that the Finnish Government has lodged a formal protest with the Soviet Envoy, M. Orlov, against the bombing of Finnish objectives.

BEAMSVILLE, Ontario, May 9 (AP).—The Beamsville Town Council has ordered books by Charles A. Lindbergh removed from its Public Library shelves. Similar action was taken by the Guelph Council recently.

## PETAIN OUSTED BY DARLAN

Minor Indications

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—The relations between Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan are once more reported to be very strained, says a despatch from the French frontier to the Independent French news agency.

According to well-informed sources, Marshal Petain has the impression that Darlan is trying to get rid of him. He has noticed that in several administrative and ministerial offices, Darlan's photograph has replaced his.

Marshal Petain believes that Darlan is trying to assure himself of the support of ex-servicemen and that he has made several powerful allies among the Police.

Darlan, on his side, is acting very cautiously and does not even inform his own officers and intimate collaborators of his plans.

### How Vichy Took News

ZURICH, June 23 (Reuter).—News of the outbreak of the Russo-German war caused a great sensation in Vichy where, up to the last moment, it had not been expected, says the Vichy correspondent of the "Gazette de Lausanne."

Official circles are reserved, the correspondent adds, but certain influential quarters have expressed satisfaction at "the aims of undertaking a crusade against Communism."

## Govt Opium Rumours No Registration

Chinese press reports that Government is considering a plan for registering opium smokers, were this morning described as untrue by Mr W. W. Hamilton, Superintendent of Imports and Exports.

Mr Hamilton said he had no knowledge of any such plan, and that neither registration of smokers nor rationing was contemplated. Opium will continue to be sold at Government depots as usual.

Stocks of opium at the present time were described as ample to meet all ordinary needs.

## UNITS BANNED IN BANNS

When a soldier and his bride-to-be put up the banns, they may unwittingly give information to the enemy, says the War Office. The Registrar-General has therefore ordered that a soldier's unit must no longer be recorded, and that only the name of the town in which he is stationed should be given, as his address.

## ST. JOHN'S PROBATIONER NOT TO BLAME



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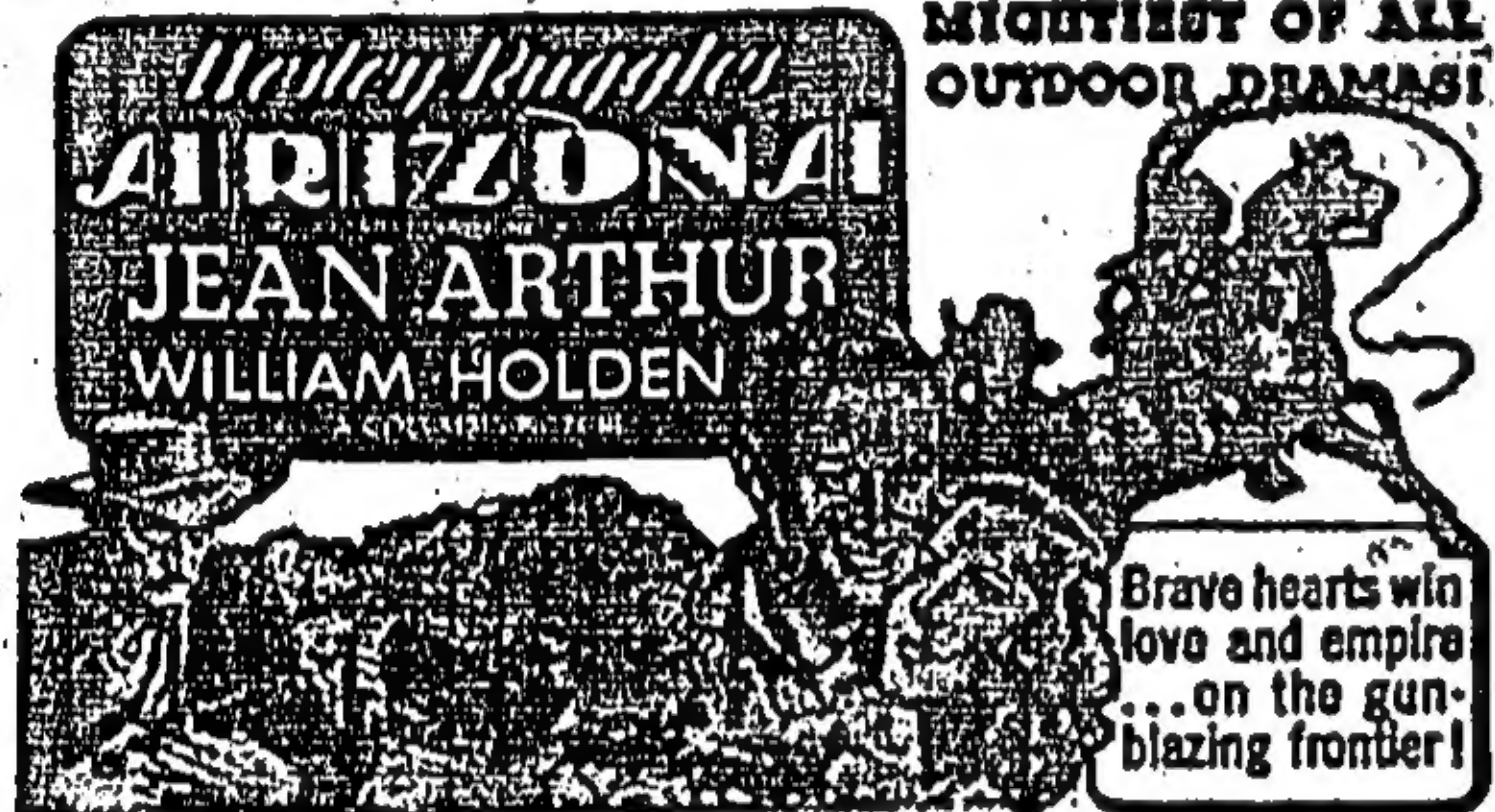
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## SURVIVOR TELLS HIS STORY

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time were captured by the Australians and New Zealanders. Air-borne troops and large quantities of weapons which were landed next day by aircraft carrying out a continuous bus service between the island and the Greek mainland played a more important part than the paratroopers.

The German paratroopers, said the Brigadier, were young, not particularly tough and fairly easy to dispose of.

**Insufficient Airfields**

Brigadier Inglis said no air force sufficient to deal with the huge masses of German aircraft could have operated from the three Cretan airfields. While Egypt was too far away as a base for fighter aircraft, German bases on the Greek mainland were so close as to have rendered it hopeless to maintain fighter planes on certain airfields.

The Cretan operation was dominated by German air superiority.

Referring to certain reports that bayonets have become obsolete, Brigadier Inglis said that was far from the truth. Crete had proved the enormous power of the bayonet charge by well-trained and determined troops. It was the thing the Germans feared most.

## Russians Declare Offensive Turned

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thing thus far known in the history of warfare, while concurrently German dive-bombers began the destruction of Russian airfields.

Reports described the bombardment of the Russian fortress at Brest Litovsk. "At zero hour a hurricane fire of unimaginable intensity was started, including heavy mortars, field guns and long-range artillery which shook the earth. This lasted an hour."

The Russians were evidently so surprised that they fired no artillery in turn.

"Elsewhere German pioneer troops aided by artificial fog and using collapsible boats crossed the frontier at the River Bug under cover of a tremendous artillery barrage. Farm houses blazed up in yellow flames while concrete pill boxes disintegrated in spectacular fashion."

**Rumanian Claims**

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—Rumanian military circles claim that their southernmost columns driving from Galatz have penetrated 50 miles into Russian Bessarabia, according to Martin Agronsky, the Ankara correspondent of the National Broadcasting Company.

The Rumanians admit, however, that Russian resistance is extremely fierce and say that heavy losses are being suffered on both sides.

Rumanians state further that the Russians are not remaining on the defensive but have launched their own offensive towards Poland, Rumania and East Prussia.

The Luftwaffe is said to be very active behind the Russian lines.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, is:

**Buyers**

Bank of East Asia \$72  
Canton Ins. X.D. \$212.50  
H.K. Fire Ins \$177.50  
Indo-China (Pref) \$80  
Wharves \$87  
Docks \$15  
Providents \$5.20  
Hotels \$2.05  
Lands \$31.50  
Realities \$2.75  
Chinese Estate X.D. \$90.  
Trams \$10.10  
Liquor "O" \$9.00  
Electricity "O" X. Rts \$21.75  
Electricity Rts \$2.80  
Telephones "O" \$22.25  
Cements \$13.75  
Ropes \$7.50  
Dairy Farms \$17  
Entertainments \$6.25  
Watsons \$10.10

**Sales**

Union Ins. \$400  
H.K. Steamboats \$8  
Providents \$5.20  
Electricity "O" X. Rts \$20.75  
Electricity Rts \$10.75/11  
Cements \$14  
Ropes \$7.50  
Watsons \$10.25

## War Simplifies Export Control

MANILA, June 24 (UP).—The "Manila Bulletin" this morning quoted informed circles as saying that the Russo-German war will result in a considerable easing up of export control since it will now be impossible to trans-ship goods to Germany through Siberia.

## Author Of "Battle Of Britain"

The author of the very successful Stationery Office success, "The Battle of Britain" is Mr. Hillary St George Saunders.

Mr. Saunders is a fair-haired, not very tall, well-built man of about 43. With Mr. John Palmer, who used to be the "Evening Standard" dramatic critic, he has produced several novels under the name of Francis Beeding. The latest of these was a thriller on the fall of France, called "Eleven Were Brave". The "Eleven" were the French Ministers who voted at Bordeaux, in a Cabinet, of 24, for France to go on fighting.

Mr. Saunders had been at the British Embassy in Paris as liaison officer to the French Ministry of Information. He escaped by way of Bordeaux in a boat which was bombed but not hit.

## Portuguese Of Good Family In Trouble

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Fernando Antonio Ozorio, 33, accountant of the Central Meat Supply Co., Windsor House, charged with the fraudulent conversion of \$600.07 to his own use, pleaded guilty before Mr. G. T. Lowry at Central Magistrate's Court this morning, and was remanded until Friday at 11.30 a.m. when sentence will be passed.

Mr. W. A. Mackinlay, in conjunction with the Police represented by Del. Inspector J. O'Donnell, prosecuted and Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for Defendant.

The money was stated to have been entrusted to Defendant by Mr. A. G. Daziel, manager of the Central Meat Co., by whom he was employed, on June 2, to pay to the Kau Kee Meat Store, Central Market, for the settlement of an account.

**Plea For Leniency**

Pleading for leniency for his client, Mr. Silva said that Defendant happened at the time to be particularly pressed by a creditor, who threatened to inform his employer that he was heavily in debt. Defendant was afraid, and as a friend promised to lend him a similar sum in two days, he had used the money to pay the creditor. His friend who had never failed him before, however, could not raise the money. Defendant then went to the Kau Kee Meat Store who agreed to hold the account over for a few days. In the meantime, Defendant made frantic efforts to raise the money but was unable to do so. The offence was discovered and Defendant had made no attempt to run away.

## A Good Family

Mr. Silva said that Defendant came from a decent and respectable family, and this foolish and indiscreet act was that of a thoughtless young man. He was the sole supporter of an aged father and numerous relatives and this act would mean loss of his employment with the Company. He had been considerably ashamed by having had this charge brought against him, and he had suffered mental agonies since. To impose a jail sentence would mean the complete ruin of Defendant, and he pleaded that Defendant might be given the option of a fine, which would not be a detriment to him.

Mr. Silva said that Defendant would make restitution of the amount in question, and added that he understood the Police were not pressing the case.

## Television Given Public Showing

NEW YORK, May 10.—America's contribution to the development of large screen television for the theatre was given its first public demonstration to 1,200 invited guests recently. Images were projected to a 15-by-20-foot size.

The demonstration, conducted by the Radio Corporation of America, was designed to show laboratory progress since previous tests with smaller screens. Projection is accomplished with a high brilliancy receiving tube which operates on 75,000 volts and has a special optical system. Connection to the transmitting source was by cable, but the system has worked as well in pickups off the air.

Results obtained were regarded by observers as the best they had seen to date. Brilliance did not equal that of a movie, but it was sufficient for satisfactory viewing.

## LATE NEWS

### Nazis Claim More Successes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
BERLIN, June 23 (UP).—A D.N.B. reporter's despatch describing the advance into Lithuania revealed that German columns went deep into enemy territory four hours after the beginning of hostilities.

He said that German bombers last night met with great success on the eastern front attacking military and war-important objectives in the principal battle sectors, while a large number of airfields were bombed and aeroplanes, hangars, workshops and barracks destroyed and set afire.

Highways full of marching Russian troops which were partially clogged by columns of vehicles were bombed and machine-gunned, while several strategically important railway lines were bombed.

## Moscow Prepares For Emergency

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
MOSCOW, June 23 (UP).—The authorities have now set up the A.P.P. machinery.

An increasing number of policemen, soldiers, transport workers and private citizens here are carrying gasmasks.

Thousands of women and men have been detailed for civilian defence work, guarding public and private buildings, while armoured workers are training to defend factories.

All electric traffic and lights have been eliminated and gas-masked policemen are directing traffic by means of palm-coloured glass rods with the curb corners white-washed, aiding motorists.

## British Offensive In Syria

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
VICHY, June 23 (UP).—The British forces opened a violent offensive against Merj Ayoun this morning, and the fighting continues.

## LUFTWAFFE THRASHED AGAIN

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other big raid on the northwest France area. Exceedingly strong formations of bombers and fighters crossed the Channel from one part of the southwest coast early this afternoon, and shortly afterwards there were explosions from this direction of the area between Calais and Boulogne, seemingly some distance inland.

The raiders penetrated a heavy barrage which was heard on the English side of the Channel.

The main squadrons returned later, flying in perfect formation almost as a single unit, keeping the same course as on the outgoing trip. No German fighters were seen attacking the returning planes although earlier, cannon fire was heard over the Channel.

Throughout the operations, strong formations of British fighters patrolled the Straits of Dover.

**Raid On Reich**

LONDON, June 23 (Reuter).—An Air Ministry communique states, "Bremer, and Wilhelmshaven were the main objectives of an attack on northwest Germany last night. At Wilhelmshaven, particularly large fires were started. Among other targets attacked during the night were Bremen, Bremerhaven, and Dusseldorf. One enemy fighter was shot down and three British bombers are missing."

## Non-Stop Raid

FOLKESTONE, June 23 (UP).—The R.A.F. carried out a non-stop raid on the invasion ports for over two and a half hours this afternoon. Most of the activity appeared to be around Calais and farther away in a direct line from that city.

Observations from the steady roar of bombs bursting beyond the bank of mist which is hanging over the Straits of Dover.

**Railways Hit**

LONDON, June 24 (Reuter).—Railway targets were bombed in the R.A.F. sweep over northern France yesterday evening, reveals an Air Ministry communique issued early this morning.

The Germans made a more determined attempt to interfere than the sweep earlier in the day, and a fierce engagement occurred over Calais.

It was here that two British bombers were lost, but the enemy was "again heavily defeated," losing 12 aircraft.

## Great Battle For Eastern Syria

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the most fantastic accomplishments of desert warfare.

### Allies At Palmyra

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—British troops have reached Palmyra in Syria, according to a G.H.Q. communique issued here to-day.

They are meeting resistance there from a Vichy column. Allied forces are in contact with Vichy troops west of Damascus. In the town itself, the situation is quiet.

On other fronts, fighting is continuing.

### Thrust To Homs

CAIRO, June 23 (Reuter).—The British mechanised column which reached Palmyra after meeting air and ground opposition is threatening the important and modern air base there.

This column would appear to be thrusting towards Homs, which would effectively cut off the Vichy forces in south Syria from the northern forces.

### Syrian Situation

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".  
LONDON, June 23 (UP).—Authoritative quarters report that British forces have completed the capture of Mezza and have occupied the Druze and Khiam forts in the Merj Ayoun area of Syria.

### Battle For Pipelines

VICHY, June 23 (UP).—An official despatch from Beirut states that a battle in the middle of the desert at the pipeline fortress and airfield at Palmyra began at noon to-day with the simultaneous arrival of two British motorised columns across the desert from Abou Keman and Teloum-Karani, respectively.

## Japan Disillusioned Over Axis Partners

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warned of this development by Hitler before he went to Moscow.

**Impartial Tokyo**

TOKYO, June 23 (Reuter).—The Soviet-German war is splashed all over this morning's newspapers and also monopolised the editorial. Extreme caution is the keynote of the news references to Japan with a complete absence of any speculation regarding the attitude of the Government.

The Japanese High Command had a conference with key members of the Cabinet this afternoon.

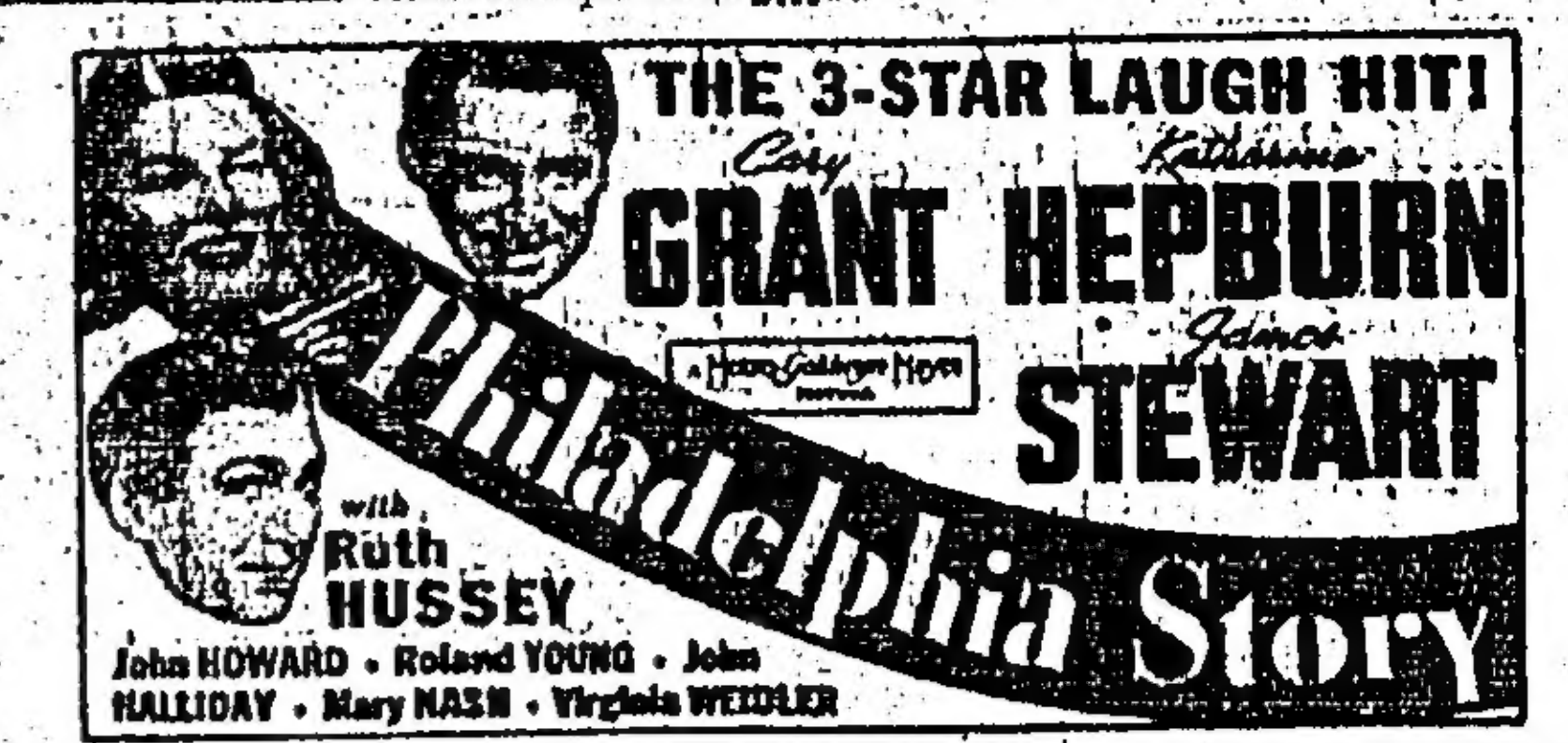
The Press attitude towards the new belligerents seems nearly impartial, with speculation on the ultimate outcome left a big question mark.

The ex-Ambassador to Moscow, Mr. Togo, says that the capture of Leningrad, Moscow and the Ukraine will not decide the issue, while Colonel Akita, ex-Attache to Berlin, contrarily predicts in "Hoichi" a German victory by autumn. He draws a moral from the new war—two are taught how unreliable are modern treaties and all we can depend on is our own nation.

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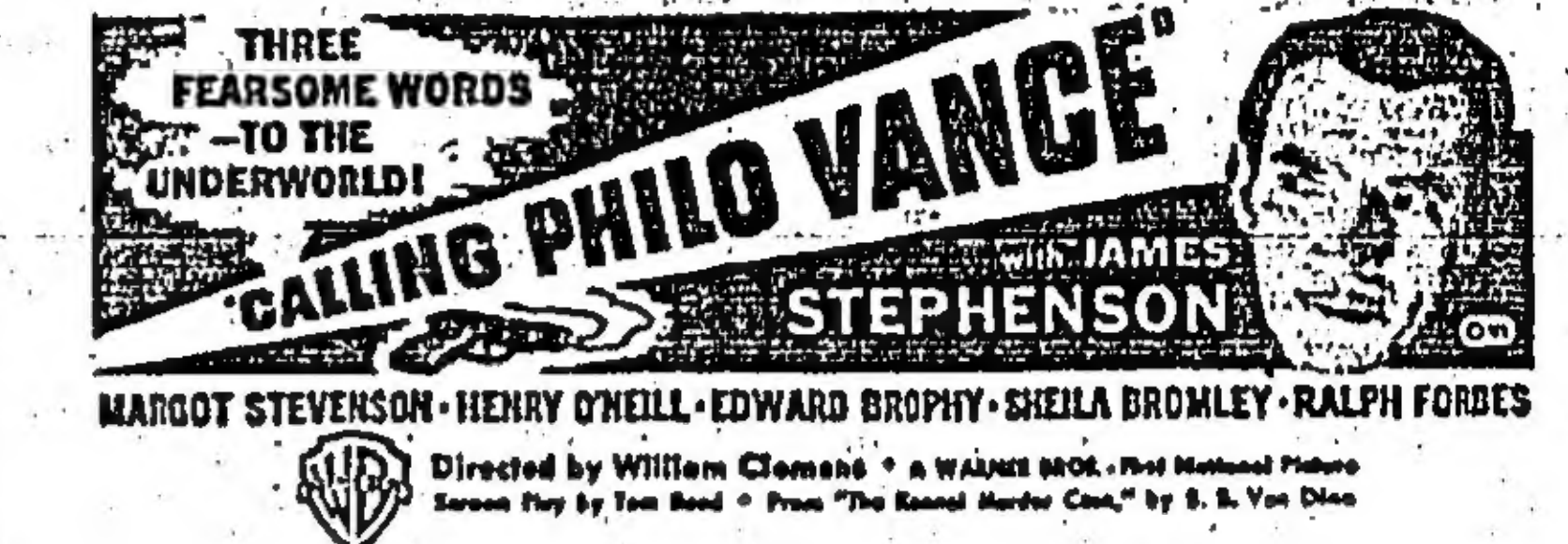


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The flats are to be a clearing centre where those bombed out will be temporarily housed until permanent homes are found them.

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